New germ

fabric helps

Government scientists work-

ing on germ warfare at Porton Down have developed a new fabric which it is claimed will

speed the recovery of hospital patients, reduce the dangers

faced by workers operating among poisonous vapours, and

eliminate contaminants from water supplies.

The fabric is charcoal cloth

and it is now being produced

by a company of the same name under licence to the Ministry

of Defence. The company is being supported by the National Research Development Corporation, which has so far invested more than \$100,000 in the pro-

The cloth is composed of 100 per cent activated charcoal fibres. It combines the flexi-

bility and strength of woven cloth with the high absorption

cloth with the high absorption and filtration qualities of good quality charcoal granules.

It was conceived by Dr Fred Mags, who until his retirement worked at the Chemical Defence Establishment. He has now joined Charcoal Cloth, of Wimborne, Dorset, as scientific adviser. His original intention was to develop a cloth cover capable of protecting military personnel from the effects of poisonous, and especially, nerve gases.

Now a wide range of uses for the fabric are being explored. Mr Michael Turner, managing director of Charcoal Cloth, be-

lieves they already add up to a market worth many millions.

markets is the medical one. Here, it is claimed, charcoal cloth bandage strips can be used to reduce offensive colors

and to improve healing hy
reducing the risks of infection.
The cloth can be used in the
form of air-flow filters and
masks in the operating theatre
to reduce the intake of

In the industrial field, char-coal cloth has applications in air conditioning of plant and

vehicles, Charcoal cloth will also be

offered to the military services

A detective inspector in the City of London Force has been suspended from duty after inquiries by Operation Countryman, the police teem investigating alleged corruption by London detectives

The officer, the seventh to be suspended since the investiga-

tion began 17 months ago, has

detective chief inspector, are Scotland Yard men. Files have

been submitted to the Director

of Public Prosecutions for pro-

ceedings against four of them. The Countryman team started

by investigating claims that senior detectives in both forces

Inquiries are thought to have centred on claims that police

involved in payroll

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By John Huxley

## Yugoslay Insurgents accuse Russians of treating Afghans as slate to the diplomate of Kabul, Jan 15 The diplomate of Kabul and last the top of the first page is an illustration of the Koran with Jan 15 (and illustration of the Koran with Jan 15) The diplomate of Kabul and illustration of the Koran with Jan 15 (and illustration of the Koran with Jan 15) The diplomate of Kabul and Insurgence is an illustration of the Koran with Jan 15 (and illustration of the Koran with Jan 15) The diplomate of Kabul and Insurgence is an illustration of the Koran with Jan 15 (and illustration of the Koran with Jan 15) The diplomate of Kabul and Insurgence is an illustration of the Koran with Jan 15 (and illustration of the Koran with Jan 15) The diplomate of Kabul and Insurgence is an illustration of the Koran with Jan 15 (and illustration of the Koran with Jan 15) The diplomate of Kabul and Insurgence is an illustration of the Koran with Jan 15 (and illustration of the Koran with Jan 15) The diplomate of Kabul and Insurgence is an illustration of the Koran with Jan 15 (and illustration of the Koran with Jan 15) The diplomate of Kabul and Insurgence is an illustration of the Koran with Jan 15 (and illustration of the Koran with Jan 15) The diplomate of Kabul and Insurgence is an illustration of the Koran with Jan 15 (and illustration of the Koran with Jan 15) The diplomate of Kabul and Insurgence is an illustration of the Koran with Jan 15 (and illustration of the Koran with Jan 15) The diplomate of Kabul and Insurgence is an illustration of the Koran with Jan 15 (and illustration of the Kabul and illustratio health of President Tito

Anxiety over the condition of President Tito is growing in Yugoslavia as medical bulletins alternate between reporting setbacks and improvements. The Central Committee was called to an emergency session. The Yugoslavs are apprehensive over the Soviet Union's behaviour in the event of President Tito's death.

## Party concern over Soviet reaction

From Dessa Trevisan Belgrade, Jan 15

Yugoslavia is going through a time of grave anxiety as the bulletins on President Tito's condition alternate between set-backs and improvements. These

temperature rose. But in the same sentence it said that his temperature was brought down which rotates annually, and by medical intervention. As a which expires in May. result, it said, the President Mr Lazar Kolisevski, a former result, it said, the President was feeling better today though the condition of his leg re-

mained unchanged.

What options are open to the eight doctors treating him have not been revealed, bur officials now do not conceal the danger arising from his circulatory illness, after an operation had failed to dislodge an arterial

Concern over the strain that a second, more complex, opera-tion would inflict on the 87-yearold President is clear.

The seriousness of the situation became even clearer today when the 169-member central committee was convened in an emergency session to hear the report of the top leadership on President Tito's state of health and on the measures the Praesidium was proposing in the event of his death. The central committee after-

wards called upon the country's 1,700,000 Communists to carry out their party duties, which suggests that the party is being mobilized to meet a growingly anguished situation.

The Soviet invasion of Afghanismo, and the Yugoslav belief that Russia is in an expansionist mood adds to the anxiety of a nation already deeply worried over its future without a charismatic leader, who has ruled for more than 35 years, and become the symbol of Yugoslav independence and domestic prosperity.

The Yugoslavs are not worried by the internal repercus-sions should President Tito die, but they are not concealing their deep apprehension over Soviet behaviour and their uncertainty as to how the Warsaw Pact is likely to behave. They expect pressures increase but they say that Yugoslavia's security is not a matter for Yugoslavia alone but is intricately linked with European security which the West certainly cannot ignore.

Their stand over the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan has already put new strains on their relations with Moscow. The Yugoslav vote in the Security Council and the Yugoslav representative's speech in the General Assembly have already provoked extreme displeasure in Moscow for alleged provocative" undertones.

The Yugoslavs are confident they can maintain stability and continuity under the collective politics.

recently said would safeguard
Yugoslavia against a power
struggle which could have a disastrous effect.
The President has also empha-

condition alternate between setbacks and improvements. These
make the nation aware of the
gravity of the situation and
make the leadership prepare
for a possibility which now cannot be dismissed.

Today's bulletin disclosed
that the President's condition
deteriorated yesterday as his
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The President has also emphasized repeatedly that the stablity of Yugoslavia would not be
policy laid down by the Communist Party and worked out
collectively by a team of equals.

Under the constitutional
system, if he dies he will be
replaced by Mr Stevan
Doronjski who is the Chairman
of the Praesidium, the post the Praesidium, the post

> worker and warrime partisan who is a Macedonian, would assume the state presidency but again on a rotating basis with his term expiring in October.

> Both men have spent a long time in politics but have little international experience, although in recent years every Member of the Praesidium has travelled abroad on special missions as President Tito's envoy. The idea behind a recent

reorganization of the top leader-ship was to prevent a personal struggle for power. President Tito said that in creating a rotating leadership equally represented by constituent republics the conditions for a nower struggle had been power struggle had been removed.

removed.

It is impossible to foresee how such a merhanism might work in the long run. But this is a question for the future. For the time being the nation is antiously awaiting news of President Two's condition, aware that this may prove to be his last battle and the first one he has lost.

Commons warning: Some 80 MPs of all parties, including Labour front benchers and leftwingers, last night tabled a Commons motion wishing President Tito a speedy recovery and calling on the Government to inform President Brezhnev that they would regard any attempt to interfere in Yugo-slavia as "an act of aggression against the international com-(our Political Editor



Mr Doronjski : long time in

## Insurgents accuse Russians of treating Afghans as slaves

message usually surmounted by a drawing of the Koran. The latest of these curious documents arrived in the grounds of western embassies over the past three days. It Mr Karmal is referred to as purports to come from the "Karmal is referred to as purports" to come from the "Karmal is referred to as purports to come from the "Karmal is referred to as purports to come from the "Karmal is referred to as purports to come from the "Karmal is referred to as purports to come from the "Karmal is referred to as purports to come from the "Karmal is referred to as purports to Afghanistan and bears the badge of the Islamic Afghan groups which have been fight a member of the Presidium of ing in the south of the country. Afghanistan who was head of

The diplomats of Kabul call them "the night letters" and they are the first tentative signs of a unified Muslim political opposition in the Afghan capital to the Soviet-backed Government of Mr Babrak Karmal.

Crudely printed on cheap paper, the declarations and manifestos are thrown into embassy compounds and pushed between consular fences during the hours of curfew, their message usually surmounted by the first tentative opened pages.

The letter denounces the regions of inhuman crimes and condemns Soviet troops in Afghanistum for "treating Afghanistum for "treating Afghanistum for "treating and condemns Soviet troops in Afghanistum for "treating and condemns soviet troops in Afghanistum for "treating or guerrilla attacks until our last breath".

The document continues: "The proud and aggressive troops of the Russian power have no idea of the rights and human dignity of the people of

human dignity of the people of Afghanistan". It predicts the death of Mr Karmal and three leading members of his Cabi-

work". The first leading poli-tical figure to receive oppro-brium is Mr Asadullah Sawari. Afghanistan who was head of



the secret police during the

It is something of a mystery why Mr Karmal chose to in-clude Mr Sawari in the Presi-

Transport in the new Govern-

The letter includes specific attacks on the Russian Army for "committing acts which are intolerable to our people". It claims that Soviet troops kidclaims that Soviet troops kid-napped women and girls who were working in a bakery in the Danlaman suburb of Kabul and after keeping them for the night returned them next morning. The document alleges that a similar incident occurred in the suburb of Khar Khana. "An act of aggression against the dignity of Muslim families." When I investigated this

When I investigated this allegation, bekery workers in

dium since he is widely detested for allegedly permitting the torture of thousands of opponents of the Tarraki regime.

Others whom the letter condemns to death are Mr Watanjah, the former Minister of Defence, and Mr Shar Jan Mozdoryar, a former Minister of the interior who is Minister of Transport in the new Governelsewhere. But they were unclear about the treatment which the women had received and were frightened to say

The authors of the letter claim that Muslims will eventually overthrow Mr Karmal's Government and eject the Russians, adding judiciously that they will then refuse to honour any foreign contracts or agreements made with the present Government. They ask, horselessly and reshare a limit hopelessly and perhaps a little pathetically, that their state-ments should be broadcast over the BBC at 8.45 pm "without

Carrington tour, page 6

## still set on Moscow **Olympics**

Speculation over a boycott of the 1980 Olympic Games in Moscow will make Britain's athletes more determined than ever to go and "put up a damn good show", the British Olympic Association said yesterday.

Mr Richard Palmer, the association's general secretary, said

withdraw."

The association, which meets team managers and coaches today, would "monitor the political situation" resulting from the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan and take advice from the International Olympic Committee. One worry for Mr Palmer is that "ill-informed" speculation could affect the association's cash-raising appeal. It stands at £500,000 but double that is needed.

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Mr Bruce Longden, the national athletics coach who is training Daley Thompson in Sussex, said: "To have the Games switched would not be the end of the world, but it would take a lot away from the event. It could have a psychological effect on the athletes. They are individuals who do have minds of their own, even

radio interview in Dublin that the Games were being used for political purposes (our Dublin Correspondent writes).

and were distressing for those preparing for the Games. The International Olympic

Committee cannot change the

## British team

ciation's general secretary, said that unless there was a serious deterioration in the political situation the Games would go ahead in Maccourt ahead in Moscow.

"The only people who can consider withdrawing from the Olympic Games are the British Olympic Association," he said. "The invitation does not go to Margaret Thatcher, it comes to us. As things stand at the moment, there are no plans to withdraw."

He thought it unfortunate that "these kites are being flown" as they would not have any effect on the Soviet Union

venue of the Games and can-not cancel them", he added. Premier holds her fire, page 6 the Daily Express in 1976.



#### If your house is too big, and you'd love to help old people, read how you can help yourself and the old in a remarkable way

The owner of the house above, in Clevedon, solved these problems in a way that helped herself, and other people. It could make sense for you.

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Please write to: Help the Aged, Room T3S, 32 Dover Street, London W1A 2AP.



South Africa guards bridge: Lord Soames, the Governor of Rhodesia, has come under increasing criticism for allowing South African troops, like this soldier, to guard the Beit Bridge, which crosses the Limpopo and links South Africa with Rhodesia. The troops patrol the whole bridge including the northern side.

For its part, the British administra-tion yesterday accused Mr Robert

political strike

The dominant union in the

state steel strike last night indi-

cated that the dispute, now en-

tering its third week, may develop into a full-scale politi-

cal strike against the Govern-

This prospect emerged after

a meeting of 25 delegates of the Iron and Steel Trades Con-

federation (ISTC) representing

15,000 workers in the private steel making sector called to discuss an extension of the

shutdown. The private sector

workers are clearly reluctant to get involved in the bitter dis-

pute between their union and the British Steel Corporation,

but if asked to strike by their

executive they probably will.

The ISTC would not make any statement after the meeting, but Mr Harry Feather, the

union's national staff officer, said it-would be for the executive council to decide this morning whether to extend the

strike to private sector steel

Despite considerable pressure from some areas for a "one out, all out" strike, the con-federation leaders are likely to

By Paul Routledge

Steel could become

private sector.

Mugabe's Zanla guerrilla army of deliberately flouting the terms of the ceasefire (Nicholas Ashford writes from Salisbury). Lord Soames's spokesman, Mr Nicholas Fenn, said there was evidence of substantial borders are specified by Zepla since December der crossings by Zanla since December 21; and considerable numbers of people, claiming to be Zanla troops, who had gathered in assembly areas

were not genuine combatants.

Some Zanla groups had failed to

assemble, Mr Fenn added, and it was difficult to avoid the conclusion that they intended to carry out intimidation during the election campaign. There was no question of the

Governor discriminating against any particular party. The actions he had taken derived from his determination to conduct free and fair elections next

## UK trade deficit more

"If it becomes a political

strike, another view may have to be taken", said Mr Feather. This is the first time a top official of the ISTC has talked openly of a political strike, though there has been very strong criticism of Government policy and in particular of the refusal of Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Industry mates.

to intervene in the dispute. Mr Feather added: "Years ago, the Conservative Govern ment decided to take on a trade union, and thought the ISTC might be one they could single out. In these circumstances, no member of this union could

stand back and allow it to In the latest ISIC strike paper, Steelworkers' Bauner, the union reminds its members about the Ridley Report, which, it said, had consequences for

every steel worker today.
The item says: "Mr Nicholas
Ridley is the MP for Cirencester
and Tewkesbury. While they
were in opposition, it occurred to the Tories that they might Continued on page 2, col 6

Department of Trade figures released yesterday show a balance of payments deficit on the current account last year of £2,418m. This is close to the most recent (November) Treasury forecast of £2,500m, but is much higher than earlier esti-

although there was some underlying improvement in performance. There was some slight cheer

December's trade figures were the first for several

months to be unaffected by special factors such as strikes.

The Government expects the balance of payments to improve this year, although the official view is still of a large current account deficit of £2,000m. Many private forecasters are predicting a smaller deficit, expecting a slow-down in the economy to choke off demand for imports.

went up, in volume terms, by only 16 per cent. This pattern continued at the end of last year. Imports of machinery were 61 per cent higher in the last three months of the year than in the preced-ing three months. Exports of machinery and transport equipment were only 1 per cent up between October-December and

the third quarter.

ing sector performed even less

well. Brimin imported 181 per

cent more finished manufac-tured goods last year than in 1978. Exports of manufactures

the third quarter.

North Sea oil is now having a big impact on the balance of payments. Last month, however, there was a sharp deterioration in the oil balance. This moved from an overall surplus of £12m in November to a deficit of £104m in December. There was a drop in the value of North Sea exports from £344m to £302m, and a rise in oil imports. and a rise in oil imports. The worsening of the oil Continued on page 17, col 3

### **Trotskyists** describe infiltration

The Trotskyist "Militant Tendency" has circulated quarterly bulletins to the group's supporters showing how constituency Labour parties, trades councils, trade union branches and the Young Socialists have been infiltrated in the course of a year's activities. It gives Unit course of a year's activities. It gives Hull course of a year's activities as an example of a "major industrial area where the tendency has really sunk Page 2 its roots deep

Gold tops \$700

Gold broke through the \$700 barrier for the first time, closing at \$712.50 on ounce in New York. Earlier in London, the price leapt by \$31 an ounce to close at \$687.50. Dealers reported hectic scenes as investors Page 17 scrambled to buy

Pakistan tears

President Zia of Pakistan has told Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary, that the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan represented a total change in the balance of the region, but that the Pakistan Army could defend its borders

Lakes inquiry opens

An inquiry opened yesterday into controversial plans to raise the level of two of the Lake District's most scenic places. Wastwater and Ennerdale Water. places. Wastwater and Eustaland for the The aim is to provide more water for the Windscale nuclear plant and for industry Page 5 in west Cumbria

#### 2,000 Lesney jobs go

Britain's largest toy group, Lesney, manufacturer of Matchbox toys, is making about 2,000 of its labour force redundant. More than half are full-time workers at Lesney's main factory at Hackney Marshes, east London and Rochford, in Kent. This follows Airfix's decision to close down its Liverpool Meccano factory last month. last month

#### Graduates in demand

A large demand for graduates in science teaching, sales and retail management. computer programming and accountancy is predicted for this year, a report dis-closed yesterday. But overall, it says, the gap between the supply of graduares and racancies would be greater than last year : Page 4

#### Ford go on trial

Legal history is being made in the courtroom of a small country town in Indiana where the Ford Motor Company has become the first corporation to be charged with reckless homicide because of alleged defects in its products. The trial is expected to last two months Page 8 Council vote change: The Government is to give a general dispensation to allow councillors with children in state shools to vote on school matters Sentenced for corruption: Five defendants

in the British Steel Corporation corruption case at Lincoln Crown Court were sent to Middle East: For the first time, Israeli and Egyptian newspapers will be on sale

in both countries today Classified advertisements: Appointments, pages 23, 24; La Creme, 12, 13, 25; Personal, 25, 26; Property, 24

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Letters: On economic intervention, from Lord McCarthy; on criticism of the police, from Mr David Ascoli; on London's third airport. from Mr John Mulkern Leading articles: Energy prices; Republican prospects in the US; Juries and contempt of court Aris, page 9
Michael Leech interviews Stacy Keach, the versatile but ratiring American actor who appears next week in the National Theatre's O'Neill season; John Russell Taylor finds the true art of photography in the Kertesz exhibition at the Serpentine Gailery Features, pages 12, 14

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Stock markets: Profit taking reversed the rechnical recovery but selling was small. The FT index eased by only 4.1 to 441.7. Gilt-edged stayed firm Financial Editor: Decca on the rack; Hill Samuel withdrawing from Germany
Business features: Ross Davies on the new
opportunities for black entrepreneurs in opportunities for black entrepreneurs in Southern Rhodesia; the battle for the video tape recorder market is described by Derek

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## They are individuals who do have minds of their own, even if some people do not seem to think so." Yesterday's figures will add to the concern among individuals and some economists that the strength of the interview in Dublin that than doubled in year stay their hand on involving the By Caroline Atkinson

trade deficit totalled £3,233m dustrialists and some economists that the strength of sterling is damaging British industry. Volume figures for imports last year, more than twice the E1.493m recorded in 1978. imports and exports make depressing reading. Imports rose by 12 per cent during 1979, compared with a 41 per cent rise in export volumes. The key manufactur-

In December, the trade gap widened to £72m, compared with £45m in November.

from these December figures, with exports reaching a record £3,823m, up £79m on November, which had been boosted artificially by the ending of the engineering strike. This had created an October visible deficit of £418m.

## 'New Statesman' cleared of contempt of court

By Alan Hamilton The New Statesman did not commit a contempt of court by publishing an interview with a member of the Jeremy Thorpe trial jury after the case had ended, Lord Widgery, the Lord Chief Justice, ruled yesterday.

He said, however, there were circumstances in which disclosure of a jury's deliberations could amount to contempt. There were forceful arguments against breaching the secrets of a jury and, if not checked, such activity might become the general custom.

The virtue of trial by jury was that once a verdict had been reached, the matter was at an end. Each case of disclosure, however, had to be considered in the light of its individual circumstances. Costs were awarded against the Attorney General, who brought the action after the

New Statesman had published the article, five weeks after the end of the Thorpe trial, criticizing the handling of the case by the Director of Public Prosecutions and including extracts from an interview with an unnamed member of the

jury. The judgment, drawn up by Lord Widgery and Mr Justice

Park, noted that Mr Bruce Page, editor of the New Statesman, had published the article with the best of intentions, that the juror had given the interview voluntarily and without payment, and that the course of the trial had not been interfered with.

But Sir Michael Havers, QC, the Attorney General, had never the less argued that the article interfered with the course of justice in the long term, and could affect the attitude of future jurymen.

The traditional respect for jury secrecy, even after the conclusion of a trial, seemed to be breaking down, Lord Widgery said. Although the New Statesman case did not amount to a contempt, that did not mean he would nor like to see some restrictions on the interviewing of jurors.

Mr Page, editor of the long-established and respected political and literary weekly, said later that although the judgment had wholly vindicated the New Statesman, it had done little to clarify the clouded issue of what constituted con-tempt of court. "It puts us back at square one", he said.

Leading article, page 15 Law Report, page 20

## Trotskyists describe infiltration of parties and unions

By Michael Hatfield Political Reporter

Information made available to The Times makes it possible to chronicle a year's activities of the Trotskyist "Militant or the Trouskyist "Militant Tendency", which is developing a concerted attempt to pene-trate the Labour Party at every

The documents, in the form of quarter bullerins circulated among the group's supporters, show how the tendency has infiltrated into constituency Labour parties, trades councils, trade union branches and the Young Socialists.

Covering the year 1978, the first bulletin, issued in February, boasts in its general re-port that there can be no doubt that since the national rally last year the tendency has made progress in every field.
It then turns its attention

to the firemen's strike. In every locality comrades went into action immediately when the firemen came out on strike", it says. "Visits were made at once to the picket lines, meetings were arranged and contacts established. Comrades from every area poured reports and interviews into the

The centre is a large, old factory in the East End of London, where the Militant newspaper is printed, and is the operating base for the tendency. The chief organizers are Mr Ted Grant and Mr Peter Taaffe. Supporters are told in the bulletin that only a small number of the reports were printed in the Militant because of the lack of space, "but nevertheless the reports gave the readers of the paper a real picture of how the strike was developing and of our inten-

The way in which the local areas and district editorial boards intervened in the strike really illustrated the great

strides forward, it states.
Turning to infiltration into
the Labour Party, the bulletin
says that since the annual
Labour conference "our party work has continued to advance and we should be able to make a very good impact in the forth-coming regional party con-ferences. Certainly if we look back over the last year we can say that the attacks on us have done nothing but good in terms of suffening our own com-

But there is a warning for

the group.
"Our problem is not lack of growth, but tempo; we are not growing fast enough", the bulletin complains. "We have now increased support in the work places, among the youth, in the party and students; this must be translated into an increase in the tendency's size as fast

euphoric over its achievements at the annual youth conference at Llandudno that Easter.

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venderta against him when he

was dismissed, it was said in

Mr Alec Ayliffe, appointed

internal audit manager of the

construction and civil engineer-

construction and civil engineering company in 1974, was said to have claimed in a letter to the company: "My dismissal is the culmination of a vindictive vendetra following

my discovery of irregularities in the labour-only sub-contracts in Scotland".

Mrs Barbara Mills, for the prosecution, said Mr Ayliffe

hearing of charges against the company and 11 of its execu-

tives of a conspiracy to defraud the Inland Revenue. He was

employed by the company's

auditors before joining William

ne was made redundant by the City company of Tansley Witt when William Press decided to cut back on work done by auditors. He was made redundant by

Mrs Mills said at the special

sitting of Bow Street magis-trates at Caxton Hali, London,

that Mr Ayliffe was dismissed

in 1976. After his dismissal his decision to take the company

to an industrial tribunal where it was believed, he intended to

reveal what he knew about the agents, Mrs irregularities. caused "con-sternation" at the offices of until today.

was a witness in a committal Mills added.

court yesterday.

Former employee accuses

company of vendetta

which Andy Bevan, the newly-appointed Labour Party nat-ional youth officer, and a recent member of the tendency, was given a standing ovation. Apart from stepping up demands for sweeping nationalization, the delegates also approved a resolution which approved of punk rock as being an expression of the working class and anti-establishment.

anti-establishment.

The bulletin states: "The recent youth conference was outstanding. It marked a qualitative step forward in our youth work. It is clear that we now have a firm base on which to build a mass youth organization. While our immediate targets are more modes:—a gets are more modest—a minimum of 20 members per branch—it is that goal of a mass youth organization which we have set firmly in our sights".

Each bulletin gives reports of the tendency's activities in the regions, and the June issue covers a number in the north of England. Hull for example, is described as "the major industrial area where the ten-dency has really sunk its roots deep into the movement".

It is reported that the tendency has a presence in all three constituency Labour parties in the city, five or six on the trades council, and a good position in some unions, including improvement position. ing important positions in the Electrical, Electronic, Telecommunications and Plumbing Trade Union. Other unions mentioned are Association of Electricities. Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs, Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, National Union of Public Employees and Union of Construc-tion, Allied Trades and tion, Allie Technicians.

The report from Mersesside gives a graphic account of how the Militant Tendency can infiltrate in areas where activity among traditional Labour is

The mood in the party generally at the moment is very low, and this has been reflected at the meetings, many of which have struggled to reach a quorum. We have concentrated some attention on party work and have appointed a coordinator for this field of work.
"The work has already been

developed in some constituency parties. We have taken over one party and will be using it to organize discussion meetings. In the recent local elections we stood six candidates and gained enormously from it. In one ward, a comrade got the highest vote for seven years and got a host of new members for the party. Despite the mood of apathy a recent meeting of Liverpool district party showed that the party can change over-

in the tendency's size as fast as possible."

The Labour Party Young Socialists organization, which the Militant tendency controls, is the group's biggest coup, and the April bulletin is almost euphoric over its achievement. definitely a mood among the activists to slam down any attempt by the right wing to

the matter before the hearing, but it was not until the day

## **Protestants** incensed by statue 'to IRA dead'

From Christopher Thomas Crossmaglen

A monument to the dead in the struggle for "Irish free-dom" in the centre of Cross-maglen, probably Northern Ireland's most staunchly Repub-lican village, has incensed Protestant political leaders.

An impressive bronze statue of a warrior rising from the phoenix with fists clenched and eyes fixed firmly on the Irish border less than a mile away dominates the village square, just 100 yards from the battered army base in this notorious "bandit country" of South

Moves are under way by Unionist-dominated councils to find a legal loophole to get the statue demolished. It is reputed to have cost between £12,000 and £14,000, raised over a long period within the local com-munity, which to varying degrees of willingness pays obeisance to the Provisional IRA. Crossmaolen is in the heart

of one of Ulster's most violent areas where scores of British soldiers have been killed. Terrorists in Forkhill yesterday injured three policemen and a civilian in a land-mine attack. It happened as two police vehicles, with a local civilian driving his car between them, were travelling on the Corrive road. A remote-controlled homb

exploded beside the front vehicle and a burst of automatic gunfire followed.
The statue in Crossmaslen is generally accepted to be in honour of the IRA. The inscription says: "Glory

to you all praised and humble heroes who have willingly suf-fered for your unselfish and passionate love of Irish freedom".
Planning permission was inexplicably granted in 1971-72 by the Unionist-controlled Armagh County Council before it dis appeared under local govern ment reorganization a year later. A concrete base was laid not long before the planning per-mission would have lapsed after

five years and no further work took place until about a year

ago, when the imposing monu-ment, standing on marble, appeared.



Under direct rule the planplaints from Unionist suppor-ters. The district councils in Larne and Lisburn are heading demands for an investigation into whether the statue conforms with the original terms for planning consent.

Mr John McEvoy, chairman of the Newry and Mourne Dis-trict Council which covers Crossmaglen and which is controlled by the Social Democratic and Labour Party, said yesterday:

"My fear is that people in the
area who might be supporters Labour Party, said yesterday:
"My fear is that people in the area who might be supporters of the IRA could react strongly to any attempt to remove this monument.

Son was injured.

In Belleek, co Fermanagh, bumbs exploded outside branches of the Bank of Ireland and the Northern Bank.

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He did not find the monu onder drect role the planning authority in Ulster is the
Department of the Environment,
which has received bitter complaints from Unionist supporProvisionals, for whom he held More bombs: Two bombs ex-

ploded outside the Ulster Bank's offices in Waring Street, Belfast yesterday. The area was evacuated before the blasts (the Press Association reports). A car bomb exploded without warning outside the offices of the Northern Ireland Housing Executive in Armagh. One per-

son was injured.

## Channel blockade is working, pickets say From Nicholas Timmins

Flying pickets from Rother-ham, South Yorkshire, mounted a round-the-clock watch over steel movements at the channel ports of Dover, Ramsgare and Folkestone yesterday.

By late afternoon the pickets had seen no steel move either into or out of the docks at the three towns, none of which could be counted as a major

Mr Alan Cook, the pickets' representative, said that after meetings with the local seamen, railmen and transport union representatives he believed "we have got the channel ports more

or less sewn up".

The pickets believe steel shipments have been switched to the channel ports following the successful blockade of the east coast ports of Immingham, Goole, Boston and Kings Lynn.

Mr Cook said the pickets had had a message from Calais say. had a message from Calais say-ing that no steel would be ing that no steel would be loaded there, and that if it did come across the railmen and seamen members at Dover would turn it back.

would turn it back.

The 53 flying pickets at Channel ports are little more than a token force. Mr Cook said: "We have got a squad of probably 5,000 flying pickets in South Yorkshire who would be down here at the drop of a hat the drop of a hat the drop of a bat t "We have got the support of the Kent miners and they have said if need be there will be

term until we get help down from Sheffield which would

take probably eight hours at the outside."
Mr Cook said he believed two steel loads left the Dover docks on Monday, but as far as he knew there was no steel in any of the docks at the

moment.
The pickets will be going to Calais on Thursday to meet French trade unionists to try and ensure steel is not moved

ann ensure steel is not hibbed across the Channel.

Mr Cook said the pickets had also been told of a number of steel stockholders in the Keut area which they would be inves-tigating and if necessary they would bring more pickets down from South Yorkshire. Ronald Kershaw writes from Sheffield: The Rotherham based South Yorkshire steel strike committee said last night

that there was no doubt picket-ing of private steel companies and docks was beginning to bite. Mr Tom Dolman, a strike com-mittee member, said that yester-

mittee member, said that yester-day afternoon alone the strike committee bad received be-tween 20 and 30 calls from steel companies "in dire straits" ask-ing for dispensations to allow them to obtain steel supplies. He said: "We cannot give any dispensations". dispensations The British Independent Steel Producers' Association

said there was evidence that picketing of stockholders was spreading.

## Calls to keep targets of flying squads secret

From David Nicholson-Lord Steelworkers are under increasing pressure from union officials to keep the destination

of flying pickets secret to in-crease their effectiveness. Sixty pickets from Corby and South Yorkshire arrived unannounced at a steel stockholder in Grantham, Lincoln shire, at dawn yesterday and claimed some early successes A similar picket on Monday of the stockholder John Lee Steel Services, owned by the British Steel Corporation, was announced in advance and met by a 30-strong force of police. It achieved relatively little in

have-some difficulties with the

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Bad weather forced Corby men to cancel a blockade of the

Scottish guidelines: The steel union's Scottish strike committee yesterday met Scottish TUC officials and other unions involved in the steel-using industries and said later that no attempts should be made by pickets to stop the movement of products other than steel supplies (our Glasgow correspondent writes). But a warning was given that there would be no dispensation to anyone to move steel.

The emergency action in drawing up guidelines for pickets resulted from anxiety preventing supplies going out to customers.

One of the men said that the company was telephoning the police when it wanted an escort for lorries through picket lines.

"Une cowboy lorry driver knocked over the pickets' brazier and we were angry about that. Apart from that, the extension of picketing could cause heavy loss of jobs and though picket lines.

## Steady rise in secondary picketing worries CRI

From Penny Symon Birmingham

As steel workers from York-shire continued to reinforce picket lines in the West Midpicket lines in the West Mid-lands yesterday, Mr Stephen Rankin, the Confederation of British Industry's regional director, said that the steady increase in secondary picketing was causing concern to his

He said : " Although the scale is small at the moment, we are getting worried because we see it steadily increasing. Also, there is concern about possible weak links in the production

"If one company cannor make a particular component because they cannot get the right steel to do it, then the whole production process could grind to a halt because of this one vital company going out of action. We are worried that this will happen sooner rather than

Mr Rankin said that manufacturing companies in the region had about three to five weeks' supply of steel left. Many stocked up in advance of the strike.
But the smaller ones could

be in difficulties soon. They did not have the facilities to carry large stocks, preferring to draw from steel stockholders when necessary.

About 350 pickets were deployed in the region yester-

deployed in the region yester-day, and again concentrated on steel stockholders.

Mr Clive Lewis, an official of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation in the West Mid-lands said: "Picketing was peaceful and responsible and we went to 38 stockholding firms, as well as British Rail steel terminals at Great Bridge and Wolverhampton."

and Wolverhampton." The companies picketed included Howard E. Perry, Willenball, and Bore Steel, Walsall. Mr Lewis said: "We sent about 20 men there because we are unhappy about steel from the British Steel Corporation

going out from the plant, and

also about the movement in and out of imported steel. "Our pickers there said that steel from Shotton had its wrapper torn off in the hope that they would not spot it. "One cowboy lorry driver

## Prime Minister and eight other Cabinet members have no interest to declare

By Our Political Correspondent Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, and eight other members of the Cabinet are shown in the latest edition of the House of Commons Register of Members' Interests as having no financial interests to declare. of Membets' Interests to declare.

The other eight are Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, Chancellor, of the Exchequer; Mr Patrick Iand in Middlesex.

In Social Services; Mr Angus Maude, Paymaster General; Mr Norman St John Stevas, Channal Mr John Nott, Secretary of State for Wales: member of Lloyd's.

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Mr John Nott, Secretary of State for Trade: a farm.

Mr James Prior, Secretary of State heading of land and property: "Half share of a farm in Sussex, where I live, and from which no net income the Treasury; Mr Mark Car-lisle, QC, Secretary of State for Education and Science; and Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland.

Declarations of other members of the Cabinet are:
Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of
State for Industry: under the
heading of land and property;
three shops; under declarable
shareholdings: shares in Aden
Henell Ltd. A former employee of both William Press and Tansley William Press and Sons accused Witt. of the tribunal session that
William Press agreed to make
a settlement of £5,200.
Mrs Mills continued that if

Ine Worcester Engineering Co
Ltd.

Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of Mr William Whitelaw, Home SecState for the Environment: retary: partner in farming
under land and property: enterprise, Mount

Owner-occupier of houses in London and Northamptonshire; under shareholdings: shares in Haymarket Publishing Co Ltd; J. Pridmore (Swansea) Ltd; Bastion Properties Ltd: Yoka Developments Ltd; and Ken-sington Freeholds Ltd.

or Employment: under trade or profession, he states he is a farmer; under land and prop-erty, he lists his farm at Old Hall, Brampton, Suffolk. Mr Francis Pym, Secretary of State for Defence; member of

Bedfordshire.

Ir Peter Walker, Minister of
Agriculture: under land and
property: Amblecote Farm,
Shropshire: shares in Amblecote Publishing Co Ltd; and in
the Worcester Engineering Co

Lloyd's; owner of a farm in Bedfordshire.

Farms, Blencowe, remain under land and property: "I still retain a comparatively small amount of land near Glasgow, the ownership being mainly in the hands of my daughters". The general rule for minis-

and from which no net income is derived".

"Steel was one of the industries he had in mind. At the time, Bill Sirs (general secretary of the ISTC) warned the Mr David Steel, the Liberal Party leader, declares under the heading of trade or profes-Tories not to get carried away. Some of their MPs easily drift sion: "Regular journalism and broadcasting". away into an ideal world where no trade unions hinder their Two MPs, like Mr Enoch Powell, Ulster Unionist MP for

stampede for profits. Down, South, refused to submit "But with steel making at a tive decided to order its mema return for the register, ex-plained yesterday that their aim was to force the House to take Weather forecast and recordings a decision on Mr Powell, who declined last session to make a

Unions are warned of danger to jobs standstill and industry rapidly bers to join the nationwide running out of supplies, they may have a rude awakening. Britain is about to pay a very strike.

"Mr Ridley was entrusted with the job of thinking them dut. His report, while never published, was leaked to The Economist. In the report Mr Ridley picked out certain industries where the Torics could be heavy price for the education of this Tory government." This increasing politicization of the strike follows the threat by the TUC's Steel and Nationalized Industries Com-Nationalized Industries Lommittees of the "most serious industrial consequences" that will follow if British Steel does not consult with the unions on "reasonable accommistake, the loss of production mistake, the loss of production warned by soon be taken up by tries where the Tories could, he thought, sit out a strike. It would be good sport to choose the right time for a battle and modation" on the plant closure programme planned for 1980.

Our Industrial Editor writes Britain's private sector steel makers warned the ISTC yesterday that the future of the inde-pendent sector would be gravely imperilled if today's meeting of the union's execu-

In a telegram to Mr Sirs, the private steel makers, who account for about a quarter of total United Kingdom steel production, said: "If they are prevented from working normally, some will close their doors permanently".

foreign producers".

oreign producers .

Mr Sirs is under strong MITICILI pressure from regional organizations of the ISTC to pull out the workers in the private sector, although he has made it clear that he is anxious not to

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## London docks paralysed by unofficial pay strike

Mrs Mills continued that if the company thought that was the end of the matter, it was to be disappointed. Mr Ayliffe, in accepting the cheque, said he was placing the matter in the hands of the authorities on the advice of a solicitor.

He was raising a large variety of matters to do with William Press, including the one the court was considering, Mrs Mills added. By David Felton Labour Reporter

An unofficial pay strike by more than 3,500 dockers para-locad London's three main lysed London's three main docks yesterday, with 19 ships being left unloaded.

Mills added.

Earlier during the hearing, at which reporting restrictions have been lifted, Mrs Mills said that William Press used companies in Leeds and Eastbourne as vehicles for tax-dodging. Each week a William Press cheque was paid into the bank account of W. Mangan Ltd of Leeds, drawn out in cash and the Transport and General Workers' Union, is the first of a a threatened series of 24-hour strikes. Mass meetings of dockers earlier rejected a pay offer from employers of 10 per Leeds, drawn out in cash and taken to the William Press site to be paid, without tax deduc-tions, to the work-force. Mr cent on basic rates, plus 2 per cent for productivity.
The dockers rejected advice Mangan had nothing to do with men allegedly paid through his from their union officials to accept the offer. Their claim is for a package, amounting to about 40 per cent, which incompany.

Legmere Ltd, of Eastbourne, worked on the same system.

Men allegedly employed by the company were hired, controlled and fired by William Press site agents, Mrs Mills said.

The hearing was adjourned until today.

group of docks, the Royal Group, and at Tilbury. The employers have stressed that they can afford only a 10 per cent basic increase, which will have to be paid for by increasing handling charges. The 2 per cent productivity deal proposed would involve the loss of between 100 and 200 jobs The strike, by members of from next June. The other docks union, the

National Amalgamated Steve-dores and Dockers Union worked normally yesterday and its 1,000 members are due to meet on Friday TGWU members have not told the employers when the next 24-hour strike will be held.

cludes increases inbasic rates, The London Enclosed Docks a reduction in the working Employers' Association last week from 35 hours to 30 hours, night deplored the strikers' extra holidays and improved "irresponsible attitude which holiday pay. can only result in further loss
No cargo was handled yesterday in the India and Milwall reduction of job opportunities."

Mr Foot given no hint of settlement plans By Our Political Editor Angry front bench exchanges

declaration.

in the Commons vesterday over the steel strike ended with Mrs Margaret Thatcher saying in response to demands to know when she would meet union leaders, that unlike Labour ministers she "assumed that trade union leaders are able to speak for themselves". That did not mean, it was later learned, that the union leaders had only to ask and she would see them to bear their side of the case.

Taunted with being afraid to meet them by Mr Michael Foot, Shadow leader of the House (still deputizing for Mr James Callaghan, leader of the Oppo-sition). Mrs Thatcher scorned him, suggesting that he might keep it to himself if he "can't ask a better question than that". She was not afraid to meet the leaders of any move-ment. But she would not be drawn by Mr Foot on how long she would let the strike con-tinue, nor how long the country would have to "tolerate her obstinacy", as Mr Foot put it Mrs Thatcher resolutely re-

Mrs Inatcher resolutely repeated the message Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Industry, had given yesterday. The real question, she said was whether people, with incomes lower than the steelworkers, should be asked for further subsidies to an industry to which the taxpayer had already been generous. Rescuers were trying last night to remove tons of fallen rock to save the lives of two men trapped 1,000ft down a Cornish tinmine, the Geevor at Peners, with a work force of a presching 400

work force of approaching 400, is undergoing a £2m expansion

Today Sun rises : 8.00 am 4.21 pm Moon rises: Moon sets: 6.21 am 3.13 pm

New moon: Tomorrow Lighting up : 4.51 pm to 7.29 am. Lighting up: 4.51 pm to 7.29 am. High water: London Bridge, 12.07 am, 6.5m; 12.34 pm, 6.5m. Avon-mouth, 5.48 am, 12.2m; 5.11 pm, 12.4m. Dover, 9.36 am, 6.2m; 10.06 pm, 6.4m. Hull, 4.45 am, 6.6m; 5.06 pm, 6.9m. Liverpool, 9.56 am, 8.8m; 10.19 pm, 8.8m. 1ft = 0.3048m. 1m = 3.2808 ft An anticyclone will move slowly over N Britain.

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:

London, East Anglia, S E England: Sunny intervals, cloudy England: Sundy intervals, cloudy at times, scattered wintry showers near E coast; wind NE, light or moderate: max temp 3° to 5°C (37° to 41°F).

Central S, and SW England: Mainly dry, sunny periods, a few freezing fog patches; scattered showers near S coast; wind NE, light or moderate: max temp 3° to 5°C (37° to 41°F).

Midlands, Central N England to 5°C (37° to 41°F).
Midlemds, Central N England,
S Wales: Dry, sunny periods;
freezing fog patches, especially
early and late; wind NE, light;
max temp 3° to 5°C (37° to 41°F).

E and NE England : Sunny intervals; scattered wintry showers near E coast dying out later; wind WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair; 

NE or variable light; max temp 3° to 5°C (37° to 41°F).
Channel Islands: Rather cloudy; scattered showers; sunny intervals; wind NE, moderate or fresh; max temp 5°C (41°F).
Lake District, NW England, N Wales, Glasgow, SW Scotland, N Ireland: Dry, sunny periods; some freezing fog patches; wind variable, light; max temp 2° to 4°C (36° to 39°F), lower where fog persists. fog persists.

Isle of Man: Dry, sunny periods; wind variable E light; max temp 5°C (41°F).

Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Moray Firth: Mainly discounts for the sunday and the sunday for the su dry, sunny intervals; wind variable light; max temp 3° to 5°C (37° to 41°F).

Central Highlands, Argyll: Dry sunny intervals, some freezing fog patches; wind variable becoming SW light; max temp 3° to 5°C (37° to 41°F).

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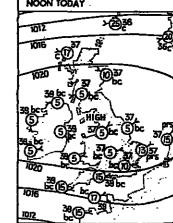
NE and NW Scotland, Orkney: Rather cloudy perhaps a little rain later; wind SW light or moderate; max temp 4° to 6°C (39° to 43°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Friday: Mostly dry and cold with sunny intervals after freezing fog clears. N Scotland will be milder with occasional rain.

Sea passages: S North Sea: Wind NE fresh or strong becoming light, sea moderate or rough becoming smooth.

Strait of Dover, English Channel (E): Wind NE fresh or strong; sea moderate or rough.

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Yesterday

London: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 4°C (33°F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 1°C (34°F). Humidity, 6 pm, 78 per cent. Rain, 24hr to 6 pm, a trace. Sun, 24hr to 6 pm, 0.3hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1.017.1 millibars, rising. 1,000 millibars=29.53in.

Cold weather seems likely to predominate in the next 30 days but
with one or two mild inverludes.
It will be mostly settled but a few
days of severe wintry weather are
expected, with heavy smowfall,
particularly in the SE. Temp will
be average in the N and much
below in the S.



## Heseltine Housing Bill promises golden age single piece of legislation had tenants to owners and estab-enabled the transfer of so much lishing their rights as indivi-

Parliamentary Correspondent

The Housing Bill was launched The Housing Bill was launched on its way to the statute book yesterday with Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment, unveiling it to the sceptical Commons as almost certainly the greatest thing since the Garden of Eden. It was given a second reading by 319 votes to 267, a government majority of 52.

The Bill introduces a code of

The Bill introduces a code of rights for public sector tenants which gives greater security of tenure and the right of council house tenants to buy their home. It also introduces a new form of short-hold tenancy aimed at encouraging more private rented accommodation. Mr Heseltine, not a man to hide his light under a bushel, said the Bill marked the shift of policy direction and laid the basis of as profound a social revoluion as any in our history". pects of millions of citizens, Certainly, he went on, no turning them at their wish from

capital wealth from the state to the people. The Bill ensured the wide spread of wealth through society, encouraged a personal desire to improve and modern-ize one's home, enabled parents ize one's home, enabled parents to accrue wealth for their children and stimulated artifudes of independence and self-reliance. He commended the Bill to the House "with pride". It was far more than just another housing Bill. For the first time in the history of sublicesertor housing.

history of public-sector housing, tenants would have the protec-tion of a statutory code of rights in their dealings with local bousing departments. The Secretary of State waxed increasingly euphoric for almost an hour, concluding by express-ing the rousing belief that the Bill would stand among the finest traditions and philosophies of the Conservative Party, transforming the personal pros-

duals above the bureaucracies of the state. So many and varied were

the provisions in the Bill that Mr Heseltine admitted that even in an hour-long speech he was not able to deal with all the goodies on the menu. For such a historic document it seemed a little sad that the Tory side of the House, let alone the Labour benches, were so inadequately filled. But it was soon evident that Mr Roy Hattersley, Labour spokesman on the environment, did not share Mr Heseltine's admiration for this mighty 129-clause tion for this mighty 129-clause epic of social engineering. He described it rather unkindly-as "superficial, meretricious, class-conscious and uncaring". Which left our flavor hearch here.

hero on the Tory front bench open-mouthed with anguish.

Mr Hattersley concluded that the Bill would turn Britain into

two housing nations, with the

wealthy council-house owners benefiting at the expense of others unable to purchase their homes. The belief would de-velop that there was something inferior about being a council tenant. Richer, tenants would buy the better houses. The Bill heralded a sustained policy of continual and substantial rent As Mr Heseltine remarked

earlier, Labour Party politicians had spent most of their conscious lives clamouring for the wider distribution of wealth. Now when a Tory Government was actually intro-ducing a Bill to transfer bricks and mortar to working people they behaved as though the Government was giving away the tablets of stone.

As Wordsworth might have pointed out, to the Secretary of State: "Alas, the gratitude of men hath oftener left me mourning".

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been generous. Two trapped in Cornish tin mine

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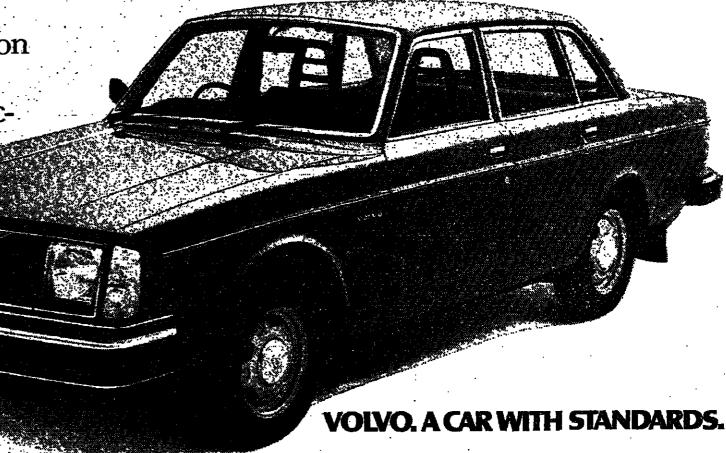
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## Many jobs in science and commerce for 1980 graduates

programming and accountancy is predicted for 1980 according to a report on the graduate iob market.

The shortage of teachers of mathematics, physics and chemistry was in turn leading to a shortage of engineers, it says. Engineers need those subjects at A level.

The report urges graduates of any discipline to consider computer programming, sales and retail management and accountancy, where there was "strong unsatisfied demand". "Graduates who have some power of logical thinking, and/ or a desire to work with people face-to-face might well consider su<u>ch</u> jobs."

There would also be an abundance of choice for gradu-ates with a good degree in mechanical or electrical engi-neering and reasonable personal qualities and a good choice for those with degrees in the physical sciences.

But it gives a warning that

the gap between supply of graduates and vacancies would eworse than last year because of the general state of the economy. That would affect the

job market as a whole There will be about 53,000 graduate job seekers this year, an 8 per cent increase over the year before, the report says. by only 4 per cent.

A big drop, of 10 to 15 engineering.

per cent, was envisaged in the Civil Service because of pub-lic expenditure cuts but the A large demand for graduates in science teaching, sales and retail management, computer retail management, computer commerce and the manufacturation of the commerce and the commerce and the manufacturation of the commerce and the commerce a ing industry, needed more grad-

> The report is the fifth compiled by three organizations concerned with graduate em-ployment: the Association of Graduate Careers Advisory Services, the Central Services Unit for Careers and Appointments Services and the Standing Con-ference of Employers of Gradu-

> Its main message is that both graduates and employers must be flexible. One third of the jobs available to graduates were open to those of any discipline and students from surplus dis-ciplines such as the arts, biological sciences and some social studies should look out-

> social studies should look out-side their subject.
>
> It urges graduates not to be put off by the word "numeracy". Normally "O" level mathematics would suffice in many jobs such as computer programming, purchasing, sales and retail management Demand for graduates in accountancy continued unabated and was up by 15 per cent on the year before, with some com-

panies wanting as many as 300 graduates in a vear. In general, graduates seemed to be turning to subjects where they know they can find jobs. Engineering and technology was now the most rapidly growing area of graduate output

## nuclear shipments

Science Editor

Its conclusion is that ship-

The first recommendation the for the alternatives.

tives does away with reprocessing, and involves transporting spent fuel in small quantities by rail within the country of origin to storage depots.

Another plan is to site a reprocessing plant close to a deep
water harbour. That has not been done so far. The final choice proposed is on nuclear

reduce doses from gas clouds, especially in Barrowin-Furness where shipments to Windscale handled; the use of purpose-built ships with the most up-to-date fire control equip-ment; a limit on the size of shipments; a new type of container for carrying spent fuels; and the use of longer periods between the removal of fuel from a nuclear reactor to interim cooling ponds and transfer for reprocessing of storag in a waste depository.

## Couple's teaching system 'backed by Mrs Thatcher'

Magistrates at Great Witley, Hereford and Worcester, were told yesterday that Mrs Mar-garet Thatcher, as Secretary of State for Education had en-dorsed the system being used by a couple seeking the right to educate their children at

Mr Roland Meighan, lecturer in education at Birmingham University and editor of two said Mrs Thatcher had signed an agreement with other EEC countries in 1973 committing Britain to support an educational system almost identical to that practised by the couple. He was giving evidence for Gsoffrey Harrison, aged 41, and his wife Iris, aged 37, of the Burntlands, Rochford, Tenbury Wells, who are being prosecuted by Hereford and Worcester County Council for failing to comply with school attendance orders in respect of three of their children. They have pleaded not guilty.

The possibility of allowing more flexible rules to apply to divorced and remarried Roman

Catholics is being studied by the Roman Catholic bishops of England and Wales. In March,

17 bishops will attend a two-day meeting with a group of moral theologians to examine the issues more thoroughly.

At present divorce carries with it no ecclesiastical censure,

but is not recognized as term-inating a marriage. Any subse-

quent marriage by a Roman Catholic is forbidden, and any-one defying that ban and re-

marrying in a register office or church of another denomination

from the sacraments.

considered to be excluded

That is not excommunica-

tion, however, and in the case

of a divorced person who sub-

sequently has the marriage

annulled by a church tribunal, a second wedding is regarded as fully valid and in order,

spent two days assessing the children at the family smallholding and found they were being taught under a system where the priorities were instilling confidence, the ability to solve problems, arousing intellectual curiosity, imparting self reliance and the use of first-hand learning experience. The system gave a much lower priority to the three Rs than

Once he invited the children to the university to assess them away from their home environ-ment. He added: "I have shown the university to many people educated in the conven-tional way but these children showed an intellectual curiosity which I found most demand-

ing." Earlier, Andrea Harrison aged 15, told the court she had taught herself to read music and to play the violin to orchestral standard. She had also taught herself shorthand and touch typing. She hopes to betral standard. She had also taught herself shorthand and touch typing. She hopes to become a professional musician.

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lic Church has moved away from the traditional view that an "irregular" second marriage necessarily constitutes a serious sin, and must therefore

be brought to an end before the couple can return to the

In some cases priests will

In some cases priests will advise a couple to continue living together, particularly if there are children, on the basis of a chaste brother-sister relationship. The latest trend is to recognize the existing conjugal relationship as the best the couple can do, and allow them to return to the sacraments because of their subjective good faith and repentance for past sins. The brother-sister solution is sometimes said to be psychologically damaging.

But when a couple are al-

lowed to return to the sacra-

sacraments.

aging.

By Clifford Longley which means it can be conduc-Religious Affairs Correspondent ted in a Roman Catholic The possibility of allowing church.

Bishops to study Roman Catholic remarriage rules

## No decision on rise in child benefit this year

By Pat Healy
Social Services Correspondent
Child benefit will not be
raised in April, and families
will have to wait at least until will have to wait at least infil November for any increase. But Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Social Services, emphasized in a letter published vesterday, that the Government has not decided yet on whether child benefit will be raised at all this year.

Mr Jenkins made the Gov-Mr Jenkins made the Gov-ernment's position clear in a letter to Mr Stanley Orme, Labour spokesman on social services, in response to a series of questions on the Social Security Bill which i expected to begin its committee stage

next week.

Mr Jenkin also disclosed that some of the supplementary benefit rules will, after all, be benefit rules will, after all, be kept secret; and that the Government may use the Bill to change the rules affecting benefit for strikers' families. But, he said, the Bill would not change the present rules that short-term benefits are raised in line with price inflation.

Child benefits were last raised to £4 a week per child in April, 1978. But Mr Jenkin said in his letter that there would be no increase this April.

"Apart from the question of public expenditure involved, now that child tax allowances have generally been withdrawn, there is obvious advantage in

there is obvious advantage in up-rating child benefit at the normal up-rating date in November for social security benefits as a whole ". Mr Jenkin said "No decision on an up-rating of child benefit next November has yet been taken". ber has yet been taken".

Mr Orme said last night that
the statement was "extremely
significant" for families who were facing extra costs through inflation and the Government's proposed changes on school

is, transport and milk The Government had can-celled the previous Labour Government's promise to in-crease child benefits last November, with the result that hy April this was the fd a by April this year, the £4 a week benefit would be worth just over £3.

"There will be no relief for families in the Budget and they will really suffer before November," Mr Orme said.

November," Mr Orme said. "We shall be pressing the Government at every opportunity for an increase this spring." He also promised firm oppo-

sition to any attempt by the Government to introduce rules on benefits for strikers'

## **Details of** jet crash made public

dent inquiry. The inquiry was made into a

Mr Pattie said details of all future military aircraft accidents involving loss or serious damage would be published.

The three people died when wreckage crashed on to their

homes after the two Harriers collided in flight. Mr Pattie said that pilot error was to blame, but the evi-dence did not warrant charges

mand, Wittering, Lincolnshire, were two miles from Wisbech when they collided during a mock doglight last September 21. Both pilots ejected safely.

Mr Pattie said the likely cause of the accident "may have been an error by the pilot of the second aircraft."

this incident has taken legal advice and has decided that the admissible evidence does not support any charge against any

lish a full summary of the circumstances and causes of each military aircraft accident in-volving loss of or serious damage to the aircraft.

"This summary will contain as much information as possible and will apply equally to accidents to Royal Navy and Army aircraft

ments while continuing a sexual relationship, they are normally warned of the danger of scandal, and may be advised to change the church in which

they normally worship to avoid shocking or embarrassing other members of the congregation.

The bishops will be consider-

ing a report from a working party which has studied the

matter, and are understood to be hesitant about encouraging a departure from traditional

practice in the absence of guid-

By the time of their meeting, se bishops will have the bene-

England and Wales, which it is understood shows that they have become far more tolerant on issues like divorce and con-

traception. That would con-siderably ease the problem of scandal, if the ban on admitting

remarried Roman Catholics to Holy Communion was relaxed.

fit of the results of a survey of opinion among Roman Catholics

ance from Rome.

Civil defence—1: Government to give greater priority to protect millions of people

## SS 20 Russian missiles expose Britain's weakness to attack

By Peter Evans Home Affairs Correspondent Britain's much-criticized civil

defence plans are to be given defence plans are to be given greater priority by the Government. SS20 Russian missiles, which carry pre-targeted warheads, and the supersonic Backfire bomber, have helped to expose the weakness. expose the weakness.

Russian plans are likely to take into account Britain's

agreement in principle to the installation here of 160 American built and manned ground-launched cruise missiles. The United States Air Force had a team in Britain in November, evaluating possible bases. The incoming Conservative Government was already think

ing of upgrading civil defence, stimulated by criticism from within the party while in opposition.
In Britain's Home Defence
Gamble, published by the Conservative Political Centre, Mr.
Robin Hodgson and Mr Robert
Banks, both MPs, said: "Since

1968 when home defence was last drastically cut back, successive governments have gambled that there will be enough time when international crises occur, to enable an effective policy for the home defence of the coun-try to be reestablished. If the

will die unnecessarily."

The Government is studying the results of a conference, at the Home Defence College, in Yorkshire, in November. It was attended by representatives of government departments, local government and other authorities, including police and fire chiefs, and emergency

planning officers.

Lord Belstead, Parliamentary
Under-Secretary of State, Home
Office, told the House of Lords
on December 6: "The results
of that study will be taken into account as urgently as possible."

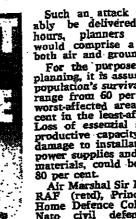
The Home Office also has a report by the County Emergency Planning Officers' Society, which says: "The society considers that the present state of civil defence preparedness falls far short of that warranted by the shoets" that warranted by the threat.".
Britain's defence planners think that the United King-dom's share of Soviet strike capability could amount to 180 to 200 megatons.

One megaton is the equiva-lent of one million tons of TNT. The effect of a one-megaton air burst over County Hall, London, would be: complete destruction of brick structures in a radius of one and three quarter miles;



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ignition of fabrics in a radius of eight miles; blistering burns in a radius of nine miles on those who had not taken proper shelter, and light damage to buildings in a radius of 11



miles.

London's plan is based on the assumption that a megatonnage of between 180 and 200 could be delivered to the United Kingdom by about 200 wespons, in the one-megaton range.

Such an attack would probably be delivered within 24 hours, planners think, and would comprise a mixture of both air and ground bursts. both air and ground bursts.

For the purpose of survival planning, it is assumed that the population's survival rate would range from 60 per cent in the worst-affected areas, to 95 per cent in the least-affected areas. Loss of essential services and productive capacity, caused by damage to installations, loss of power supplies and lack of raw materials, could be as high as 80 per cent.

Air Marshal Sir Leslie Mayor,

80 per cent.

Air Marshal Sir Leslie Mayor,
RAF (rend), Principal of the
Home Defence College, gave a
Nato civil defence training
seminar in May, 1977, details
of the likely effect of an attack
on the United Kingdom.

He said: "The attack will be He said: "Ine attend in aimed at putting us quickly out aimed at putting by disof the reckoning by dis-ending the country militarily, politically and economically". The likely targets were spread unevenly, he said. The chances were that those

parts of the country holding no nuclear targets would come through more or less un-damaged by blast or fire. Their difficulties would be caused by fall-out radiation, a large influx of refugees, survival without ex-

and other resources, and physical, social and economic

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isolation.
In those areas, communications systems would have largely
survived. That should enable leaders at different levels to ser about bringing order out of chaos, and organizing a coordinated operation

recovery. The main target areas would be so badly knocked about as to be beyond effective self-help. They would have to be more or less discounted until adjoining areas recovered sufficiently to come to their aid.

Between those extremes, would be areas which, although hard-hit, would not have suffered a technical knockout and would stand on a knife edge between recovery or collapse.

Those areas of decision were likely to make up most of the country end the way things went in them might well decide the ultimate fate of the country

That is the basis of Sir Leslie's argument for making sound preparations beforehand an argument shared by all to do with civil defence

## Call for more care on

By Pearce Wright

Inadequate attention is paid to the shipping of waste nuclear fuel, according to a report from tthe Political Ecology Research Group, Oxford.

ment through heavily populated regions and valuable shallow water fisheries constitutes a great hazard. In view of the magnitude of the hazard out-lined in the analysis, the research group says it is disturbing to find no reference to the risk in any of the United Kingdom publications from industry, the Government or royal commissions.

group makes is for a review of the safety of marine transport to be made and published for comment. The transport of spent nuclear fuel by sea cannot at present be regarded as an "acceptable" hazard until those at risk have an opportunity to assess the circumstances and, should they feel the risk is too high, to argue

The report published yesterday is the first of a series of studies commissioned by the deals with the fabrication of nuclear fuel, transport of spent fuel elements, reprocessing of the fuel and waste disposal. Attention has focused on the dangers of spent fuel elements because that represents one of the most hazardous parts of the nuclear energy cycle, about which scant information seems

The publication of the report is to coincide with the imminent arrival of the Pacific Swan carrying 49 tons of spent fuel from Japan for reprocessing at Windscale. The Irish Sea is listed in the report as one of the special risk areas for which the bazards and alternatives should be made available.

In fact the recommendations Political Ecology Research Group are divided between alternative merhods of handling fuel and preparation of countermeasures in the event of an accident. One of the suggested alterna-

The countermeasures call for the test of rapid evacuation plans and exercises designed to

## Mr Geoffrey Pattie, the

Under Secretary of Defence for the RAF yesterday took the un-precedented step of releasing details of a private RAF acci-Harrier accident at Wisbech.

Cambridgeshire, in which three people died.

being brought.

The planes, from Strike Command, Wittering, Lincolnshire,

The air officer who would be responsible for convening any court martial in respect of

In a written statement to MPs, Mr Pattie said: "I have decided in future we will pub-

## Dorset landscape, overlooking Kimmeridge Bay. Perched on top of the cliffs, the 100ft rig is part of the Purbeck oilfield, the largest onshore field in Britain being jointly explored and tapped by BP and British Gas. Five injured in

Rig on the cliffs: A new drilling rig has appeared on the

explosion on oil tanker From Our Own Correspondent

Five injured men were lifted by helicopter from the 33,000ton oil tanker Scenic as she drifted without power 30 miles off Shetland yesterday. All had burns and one had an eye injury after a reported explosion in the engine room.

At the weekend the ship's master, Captain Arios Adoniou, was fined £3,830 for illegally discharging oil at the Sullom Voe oil terminal. He told Ler-wick sheriff court that it was an accident On Saturday night it was

discovered that the Scenic had taken 4,000 tons of oil over the legal limit on board. Complaints were also made that members of the crew were smoking as the ship arrived for loading.

The last time the hishops authorized the publication of guidelines on a sensitive sexual

sexuality, their action was wel-comed as a sympathetic and

liberal interpretation of the traditional view. The issue is likely to be

raised in the course of the National Pastoral Congress of

the Roman Catholic Church, which is planned for May in Liverpool, and also at the next meeting of the Synod of Bishops

in Rome, which will consider a wide range of subjects affecting

Christian family life.

There are some fears that the Pope may resist the emergence of more tolerant practices in Roman Catholic discipline, and

that any ruling from Rome

which strictly opposed the re-admission of remarried people

to the sacraments would halt

the tendency towards what is known as the "pastoral solu-

tion" based on subjective good faith.

#### Theft discovered of £40,000 library book

From Our Own Correspondent Edinburgh

Another theft of a valuable art book at the reference department of Edinburgh central library was discovered yesterday, bringing the total value of art volumes missing to £84,300.

Staff carried out an inventory after the theft of 15 volumes was discovered last week. The latest theft involved one volume of 600 prints of Jan Blaeu maps worth about £40,000.

The books stolen were available to the public but had not been distrubed for more than two years and police said the theft could have taken place at any time in that period. Scotland Yard's art and antiques squad has been notiperiod. Scotland larges art and antiques squad has been notified of the thefts, the largest ever from a Scottish library. Lothian and Borders police have warned art dealers, academic and all schemes as a second serious statement and serious serio demics and collectors through-out the country about the books.

The first thefts were of the following: Five volumes by John Gould entitled A Monograph of the Trochilidae, or family of humming birds. Each volume is 21in by 16in, is in green leather with full lining and gold trim, is stamped Edinburgh public library on the last printed page and the set is worth £19,800. Five volumes also by John Gould entitled The Birds of Europe are worth £17,000 and a further five volumes by him entitled The Birds of Great Britain dated 1837 are valued at £7,500. The first thefts were of the

#### Poor salmon start

On the first day of the English salmon season yesterday, one Britain's best rivers, the Eden in Cumbria, produced only one 15lb salmon, Mr James Jones, the Eden gillie, said it had been "grim". He blamed flooding.

## **Council voting rules on** schools to be altered

A general dispensation to allow members of local authoriallow members or local substitutes to speak and vote on matters relating to school meals, milk and transport is to be issued by Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for the

That was announced by Mr Rhodes Boyson, Under-Secretary of State for Education, last night after proceed-ings on the Education (No 2) Bill had been held up by a series of protests by MPs about the warmings given by council officials in some areas that council members with children at school and who had school meals, free milk or free trans-port would be disqualified from voting because of a pecuniary interest. Mr Boyson was obviously

worried about the legal inter-pretation of the Local Government Act, 1972, which had been given by some council officials and during the luncheon adjournment of the committee debate he sought the assistance of other ministers. When the ommittee resumed, he was able to make his statement. When Mr Edward Graham, Labour and Co-operative Party MP for Enfield, Edmonton, asked whether the announce ment meant that members of the Enfield council, due to take a decision of school meals, milk and transport later yesterday, would be covered by the dispensation, Mr Boyson said it would be better if they waited until the official dispensation had

Mr Neil Kinnock, Labour MP for Bedwellty, the Opposition spokesman for education, thought it was constitutionally for education. wrong for councils to make administrative and financial changes on the assumption that the Bill the committee were dis-cussing would become law in its Points of order: Earlier the morning session of the Commons standing committee on the Bill had been taken up with points of order and demands

that government law officers

By Martin Huckerby Theatre Reporter Next month in London a festival will be launched which,

probably for the first time, will present virtually all of the lead-

ing artistic companies of another

country. A Sense of Ireland will offer, from February 1 to

March 15, the fruits of an entire cuture.

At a cost estimated at £550,000, the festival will involve 90 events in 44 differ-

ent venues, covering the arts of both the Irish Republic and

Northern Ireland and ranging

from popular music to political

seminars, from conceptual art to classical music.

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Most of the leading artistic organizations in Ireland will be represented in A Sense of Ireland. In drama, the Abbey Theatre Company will present Hugh Leonard's new play, A Life, at the Old Vic, with Cyril Cusack in the main role.

The Irish Ballet Company will make its first appearance in Britain, at the Sadlet's Wells Theatre, performing its version of Playboy of the Western

of Playboy of the Western World, with the music written

and played by The Chieftains. Classical music will be repre-

sented by concerts from such orchestras as the RTE Sym-phony, the New Irish Chamber

Orchestra and the Ulster Orchestra, while popular groups

Fruits of an entire culture

for six-week festival

Educational Supplement writes). The commotion was over a ruling by Lord Bellwin, Under-secretary of State for Environ-ment that councillors with children at local authority schools can speak, but not vote, during education authority meetings which are deciding the school charges. Labour MPs said that

democracy was being under-mined and the work of the standing committee was affected because large sections of the Bill dealt with charges. Mr Christopher Price, Labour MP for Lewisham, West, said the government law officers should provide an explanation. It was impossible for MPs to put forward amendments to the Bill if they did not know the effects of proposed clauses on councillors' voting rights. The Department of the

The Department of the Environment had perpetrated a constitutional monstrosity", he said. "We are in a grave, very important constitutional difficulty".

Mr Price said that when he was a member of Sheffield education committee he had taken part in decisions about new furniture and extra teachers for the infants' school

Were it not for a seven-year limitation rule, he would now find himself liable to be surcharged. Mr Andrew Bennett, Labour MP for Stockport, North, said that when he was a councillor there were debates on putting up the charges for swimming baths. "Everyone could vote,

which his children attended.

not just those who did not . he said. Mr Alan Beith, Liberal MP for Berwick-upon-Tweed, pointed out that only those councillors who opted to use the private education system would be able to vote.

Conservative backbenchers were also concerned. Mr George Thornton, Conservative MP for Liverpool, Garston, said he was appalled by Lord Bellwin's ruling And Mr William van Straubenzee, Conservative MP for Wokingham, said the issues raised were "substantial".

Art exhibitions featuring the works of more than 100 Irish artists, exhibitions of crafts,

photography, architecture and archaeology and two series of

film programmes are among the other events.

Unlike most such festivals, which are the result of govern-

ment initiatives aimed at a sort

of cultural diplomacy, A Sense of Ireland sprang from an idea

at the Institute for Contemporary Arts in London for a short festival of Irish arts.

Mr William McAlister, the

director of the ICA said yester-day that when they started dis-cussions with Irish arts organ-izations, the enthusiasm and

commitment was such that the festival swiftly outgrew the confines of the ICA.

Although A Sense of Ireland

is expected to make a deficit of £350,000, the organizers have now raised £326,000 from sponsors, mainly commercial organizations in Ireland.

There has been graphore from

the Irish Government and from the Northern Ireland Depart-

ment, although less has been heard from the Government in

London. One of the festival's backers, Mr Eamonn Andrews,

said yesterday that they had received telegrams of good wishes from official bodies in both England and Ireland.

"I was expecting one from the Minister for the Arts (Mr. Norman, Sr. Lahn Staves) has

There has been support from

## **Nottingham** Forest chief sent to jail

From Our Correspondent Nottingham

Stuart Dryden, chairman of Nottingham Forest Football Club was jailed at Nottingham Crown Court yesterday for six months after a jury convicted him on four deception charges. Mr Dryden, aged 53, a magistrate, of Trevor Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham, was cleared of eight other charges of theft from the Post Office. Judge Kellock, QC, told Mr Dryden: "It was a fiddle against the public. It is absolutely necessary that the public should know that their trust in

the Post Office will be protected".

Mr Dryden had pleaded not guilty to 12 charges of theft and deception involving £256 when he was sub-postmaster at Ruddington, near Nottingham, from 1971 to 1978.

He was convicted of two charges of obtaining £162.40 by deception and two of furnishing false information, by providing remittance forms purporting to show that money been paid out in wages to Mrs Audrey Dunsmore, aged 51, his sister-in-law. He was said to have put her down on the claims form as a holiday relief but she did no work in the sub-postoffice.

During his summing-up ye terday Judge Kellock called for an inquiry into allegations that the police deliberately avoided getting in touch with Mr Dry-den's solicitor when Mr Dryden was interviewed in custody. He added: "On the face of been a deliberate attempt by senior police officers to avoid the basic rights of an ordinary

person". Last night Mr Francis Reeson Mr Dryden's solicitor, said: "We are considering an appeal to the High Court".

#### Police searching for doctor who vanished

By Stewart Tendler Police in Britain and Ireland are searching for a doctor who vanished without trace last November as he drove home to his family in Sunbury, Surrey. New Scotland Yard issued a description of Dr Andrew Mc-Grath, aged 58, yesterday and the gold-coloured Vauxhall Victor he was driving The doctor disappeared on November 26 as he drove from his bridge club in Weybridge to his home. Dr McGrath is married with three children and details of nis disappearance were not released until yesterday at the request of the family. Born in Armagh, Northern Ireland, Dr McGrath often visited Ireland,

but there is no trace of his having left Britain. One of his brothers is a superintendent in the Garda Siochana and he travelled to Sunbury at Christmas with other relatives to try to trace

other relatives to try to trace Dr McGrath.

The doctor has been a partner in a west London practice for 27 years. He is described as introspective but there is no history of depression or family difficulties.

Dr McGrath is described as being about six fore all the partners of the par

Dr McGrath is described as being about six feet tall with dark brown, greying hair, blue eyes and a sallow complexion. On the night he disappeared he was wearing a green sports jacket, green shirt and tie, and brown trousers. The registration of his car is KLE 346N.

Comedian injured

Frankie Howerd, aged 58, the comedian, was said to be still in pain in hospital in Birmingham yesterday after he slipped in snow and fractured his pelvis on Monday.

#### giving concerts will include not only The Chieftains, but also The Dubliners, Stockton's Wing Norman St John-Stevas), but, as everyone knows his budget has been cut", he said. 14 questioned after football stabbing

left dying in a street near Nin-

left dying in a street near Nin- was detained at a petrol station resolve ian Park the Cardiff City foot- on the outskirts of the city took".

From Our Own Correspondent Cardiff

Fourteen foodball supporters were still being questioned last night after another supporter was stabbed to death in a Cuptie clash.

Mr David Williams, aged 31, of West Cross, Swansea, was all ground. He had been stabbed.

The fight began as Mr Williams was walking to Ninian park on Monday might with the cher Swansea City supporters.

Five men were later detained at the city's main railway station, and two others were found at the match. Another

Stabbel.

The fight began as Mr Williams was walking to Ninian police, anticipating grouble, had mounted a special operation for the match and were at the scene within two minutes, Det Chief Supt Viv Brook, head of South Wales at the city's main railway station, and two others were found at the match. Another found at the match. Another in the fight. But we have to was detained at a petrol station resolve what part each person

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## Inquiry opens into plan to raise lake levels to supply Windscale and west Cumbria

From Our Correspondent

Controversial plans to raise lined yesterday when a Depart- scheme to extract water from ment of the Environment a river. inquiry opened in Whitehaven, Cumbria. Environmentalists claim the proposed changes could seriously affect Wast Water and Ennerdale Water.

The inquiry is expected to last for three months, with up to 50 wimesses scheduled to give evidence. It will deal with separate applications by British Nuclear Fuels Ltd and the North West Water Authority. BNFL wants to extract a fur-ther seven million gallons of water a day from Wast Water, England's deepest lake, for use at the Windscale nuclear plant. At present it takes four million gallons daily. If the application

is approved, a weir raising the water level will be built. daily. That would involve building a pump station and other works to raise the level of the lake.

Herect on the environment.

Mr Lionel Read, QC, for BNFL, said that unless more water was available for Windscale it could lead to the closure

Covent

The public hearing which resumed yesterday into the

alleged misuse of funds by the

Greater London Council in

acquiring property in Covent

Garden reflects a growing rift

between the council and the Covent Garden Community

Mr James Monahan, an archi-

But, he claims, a recent

survey showed that nearly 90 of

the 126 buildings are occupied

by showrooms, offices, wine bars, restaurants and clothes

shops, and only four could be

said to contain an element, of

Landlords are able to obtain

offenders is the GLC, which

owns nearly 14 acres of Covent Garden, and whose rents are so

high that they preclude many of

The association has identified

The GLC admits having de-

that the plan was never in-tended to be "cut and dried".

It maintains that the changes

will mean no overall housing

parted from its plan, but insists loses plea to

the activities described in the

light industrial activity.

Garden

By John Young

More than a dozen organiza- of the processing plant; that tions and individuals have was unacceptable. The ecology objected, including the Countryof Wast Water and Wasdale
side Commission and the Lake would not be harmed by the the level of two of the Lake District's most picturesque Stretches of water were out-District Special Planning Board,

> Mr Denis Komlosy, the inquiry inspector, said in his opening that the whole of January and February would be taken up by the water authority

Yesterday was mainly devoted to the parties concerned giving brief outlines of the cases they

to three weeks, said more water was needed for domestic and industrial supplies in west Cumbria, as well as for the Windscale plant. The authority had concluded that the Ennerdale scheme would have existent The water authority's application is to take an extra 12 million gallons of water a day from Emerdale Water for use in industrial west Cumbria. It expensive scheme and have least elimination gallons gallons daily. That would involve build. effect on the environment.

From Arthur Osman

Brian Holland, aged 49, a former £7,000-a-year plant serv-ices manager at the Scunthorpe

works of the British Steel Corporation, was sentenced at Lincoln Crown Court yesterday

to two years' imprisonment and was told by Mr Justice Peter Pain: "It is quite plain you were at the centre of a web of

Four other men also received prison sentences for their part

in corruptly giving inducements

panies could enjoy or continue to enjoy work for the cor-poration. Three companies were fined.

The judge added: "It has

been said, quite rightly, that there are other forms of cor-ruption which are more deadly

than payments of what we call 'sweeteners', a word we all

understand, even though it is a slang word. Where you get 'sweeteners' paid consistently over a long period it becomes

a very much more serious matter and, in my view, it is

a matter which, in the ordinary way, calls for the imposition of

way, tank for the imposition of prison sentence."

Mr Holland, of Bo'ness Road, Limitingow, Lothian, admitted 18 charges and asked for 12 others to be considered. In addition to

to be considered. In annuon to the jail sentence he was ordered to pay £100 towards the prosecu-tion costs.

Angus Graham Mackay, aged 68, a retired maintenance engi-neer, of St Martin's Road,

Scawby, Humberside, who pleaded

guilty to one charge, was sent-enced to six months' imprison-

enced to six months' imprison-ment, suspended for two years, and ordered to pay 51,000 costs. Denis Huzzard, aged 49, of Drake Close, Marske, Cleveland, a former fuel utilization engineer, pleaded guilty to one charge, asked for two others to be con-sidered, and was sentenced to six months' imprisonment, suspended

Mrs Khashoggi

Court of Appeal

Mrs Soraya Khashoggi, lost

her attempt in the Court of Appeal yesterday to stop the Daily Mirror and Mrs Ellen Smith, her former London

housekeeper, publishing details

The former wife of Mr Adnan Khashoggi, a financier, was described by Sir David Cairns, who sat with Lord Justice Roskill, as a woman who had not led a blameless and sober

not led a blameless and sober life.

"Mrs Khashoggi is a person already known by the public as having led a life described by her counsel as glamorous. This has already involved her in a public admission of sexual advances on weight marriage."

adventures outside marriage", the judge added.

The court refused Mrs
Khashoggi leave to appeal to
the House of Lords, but
ordered that nothing should be
published before 4.30 pm
tomorrow pending an application by her lawyers to the
Appeal Committee of the House
of Lords.

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But Mr Christopher Hordern, QC, for the special planning board, argued that each pro-posal involved "significant and detrimental changes".

The board had a primary and statutory duty to preserve and enhance the beauty of the and BNFL stating their cases.

It would be March before objectors could put their argu-

The board's standpoint must be to resist all threats to the landscape."

would put at the inquiry.

Mr Ian Glidewell, QC, representing the water authority, seming the water authority, concern at the effects on farms and an idence could take up and agriculture in general. Farmers were worried about loss of land.

"The disturbance it will cause could be quite extensive, interfering with things such as drainage and access. We are seeking lots of answers on the effect of the proposals on existing form extensives."

The numbers at Whitehaven Civic Hall for the opening of the inquiry caused the hall's restaurant staff to run our of milk by lunchtime.

for two years, and ordered to pay £390 towards legal aid and £500 towards prosecution costs.

James Quim, aged 58, of Belvedere Drive. Scumborpe, Humberside, and. Arthur Joseph Quinn, aged 53, his brother, of Station Road, Grasby, Lincolnshire, both company directors, were sentenced to six months' imprisonment each after admitting one charge.

Wladyslaw Tierling, aged 53, a company director, of Gains-borough Lane, Scawby, was sentenced to six months' imprison-

ment, suspended for two years, and ordered to pay £250 costs after admitting one charge. Quinn

Brothers (Pipework) Ltd. of Scuntborpe, of which the Quinus and Mr Tierling were directors, admitted one charge and was fined £5,000 and ordered to pay £1,000 costs to the prosecution.

Roger Keith Walker, aged 55, a company director, of Hall Lane. Branston, Lincoln, admitted two charges, and was sentenced to six months' imprisonment. His

company, Rilmac Ltd, of Lincoln, admitted one charge, and was fined £6,000, and ordered to pay

Cyril Wadge, aned 51, at com-

pany director, of Brankwell Crescent, Scumborpe, who admit-

ted four charges, was sentenced to six mouths' imprisonment, and his company. Olympic Construction, of Brigg Road, Scunthorpe, was filted 15,000 with £1,000 costs.

Later, in a separate hearing

before the same court, Alwyd Woodcock, aged 66, a retired transport officer, of Cote Lane, Thurgoland, South Yorkshire, admitted four charges of corruptly

Mr Jeremy Roberts, for the

prosecution, said there had

Baby who froze

A baby boy aged 13 months

who froze to death in his bed-

room had gangrene in live toes,

Chelmsford Crown Court was

He died from hypothermia

and malnutrion because of his

parents' neglect, Mr Kenneth

Zucker, for the prosecution said.

He had severe nappy rash, his legs were purple with ulcers and he had gangrene in both big toes and three other toes.

Peter Page, aged 28, a stock controller, and his wife, Edwina, aged 24, of St Clement's Avenue, West Thurrock, pleaded guilty to cruelty to their son, Malcolm,

and daughter, Suzanne, aged

The court accepted the couple's plea of not guilty to the manslaughter of Malcolm.

They were both jailed for 12

Mr Zucker said that at the time of the offences the family

lived in squalid conditions in a council house at Tilbury.

had gangrene

to death

teold yesterday.

10 and 11. His mother approached a solicitor, who on December 19 Rift over Jail for steel man 'at centre

> Mr Bay has petitioned the Home Secretary and will not be allowed access to his solicitor until he has received a reply. Mr Roberts, who visited Mr Bay on Friday, said yesterday that the rules should be changed. He said a person should not lose his basic demo-

legal advice.

He had received a letter from Lord Belstead, Under-Secretary of State, Home Office, saying that the case was being looked

A prison chaplain who saw Mr Bay a week after the attack said that he was in a pitiful state, shivering because he had been in the strong room where the temperature was low. He could not comment on the allegations, but said Mr Bay had always told him the truth in the past, about his family

is the prison rule that there is an avenue for grievances to be ventilated. After exhausting the laid-down rules, he may consult a solicitor ".

### Jury told of receiving girts—5p for every ton of steel that left the Stocksbridge works, Sheffield, where he was employed and a holiday in Sweden. He was fined £1,600. given a six-month sentence, suspended for two years, and ordered to pay £1,000 costs. Hell'S Angels' raid

The leader of a chapter of Hell's Angels was left for dead with a bullet in his skull and other gang members lay wounded after a dawn attack been systematic bribery of by a rival group armed with clubs, iron bars, shotguns and transport officers throughout the Sheffield division. a hangman's noose, a jury was

Mr Ian Kennedy, QC, for the prosecution, said "the troops" had been summoned to South-

helmets, and advanced in order with their weapons.

murder.
Mr Richard Sharman, the Windsor leader, was the main target Mr Kennedy said. He was shot at least three times

He was knocked down by the impact and a man bent over him and fired into the back of

Mr Sharman was to be given

## refused access to solicitor By Annabel Ferriman

A prisoner in Wandsworth legal advice.

The case, which is being taken up by the prisoner's Mr Ernest Roberts, Labour member of Parliament for Hackney, North and Stoke Newington, draws attention to Home Office rules which were introduced in 1976 and have been under attack by the National Council

Miss Hilary Kitchen, the council's legal officer, said yesterday that delays could have a most damaging effect on efforts to bring civil proceedings Bruises faded and witnesses' memories and availability declined

Mr Alvin Bay, aged 29, serving two and a half years for

was given permission to see him, but permission was rescinded just before the visit was due on Christmas Eve.

cratic rights while in prison and should have the right to get

and other matters.

Miss Kitchen said the rules did not meet the ruling in the Golder case, in which the European Court of Human Rights laid down that prisoners thould have accept to solicitors. should have access to solicitors. The delays constituted a denial of access, she said.
The Home Office said: "It

with a .45 revolver. One bullet went through his forearm and mother almost through his

## Prisoner is

prison, London, who alleges that he was beaten and threatened by warders, has been refused access to a solicitor because the rules lay down that he must protest to the Governor, the Board of Visitors and the Home Secretary before he can request

of Civil Liberties since.

ability declined.

theft, was in solitary confine-ment when, he alleges, the attacks took place on December

into.

told at Winchester Crown Court

had been summoned to south-ampton from as far as Bristol and Hastings, and drove in convoy to the New Forest where the "outcast" Windsor chapter was camped, on Easter Day. They were all dressed in motor-cycling clothes and crash

Mr Kennedy was opening the case against 24 men, who all deny riot and assault charges, and two deny attempted

the coup de grace when a 12-bore shotgun was fired at him. but by chance, another Windsor member ran into the shot. The case was adjourned to

#### Vienna restaurant used by Opec envoys bombed gather in Vienna tomorrow to Today's bomb attack was a good relationship

Wreckage from the restaurant strewn across the road today after the bomb blast which caused extensive damage

From Sue Masterman

Vienna, Jan 15
An Arab restaurant frequented by staff of the Organiother in the ground floor restaurant, devastated the res- in Vienna. taurant and blew out hundreds The final of windows in the crowded centre of Vienna.

The explosion took place on

discuss the chaotic situation in the oil price market. Since December, 1975, when ration of Petroleum Exporting 11 Opec oil ministers were Countries (Opec) headquarters seized in a terrorist raid and visiting Opec ministers was directed by the notorious and visiting Opec ministers was directed by the notorious gutted by a bomb blast shortly Carlos, the oil ministers in gen-before 5 am today. Two bombs, eral, and Shaikh Yamani, the one in the basement bar, the Saudi Arabian Oil Minister, in particular, have refused to meet

The finance ministers, however, continue to use the offi-cial Opec headquarters a few The explosion took place on hundred yards from the bombed the eve of the meeting of Opec finance ministers, who will meeting.

to keep Opec headquarters in their city and not have it transerred to rival neutral centres, one theory is that a group of a streem of the attack.

One theory is that a group of Austrian right-wing extremists protesting against rising oil ferred to rival neutral centres, such as Stockholm.

extra guards were posted on all Arab embassies and airline offices. The Opec building itself is permanently guarded by a squad of commandos Tonight there was no indica-

tion of the identity of the bombers, who broke into the restaurant through a door on the first floor, or of their

blow to Austria's running battle Palestine Liberation Organiza-to keep Opec headquarters in tion (PLO) which in turn has led to clashes with Israel.

> prices might be at work There was no indication from Opec that there would be any change in the planned finance ministers meeting. Ministers will be discussing the situation over oil prices since the oil ministers failed to reach agreement in December and the further development of the Opec.

## Andalusia adds its voice to the growing clamour for autonomy

Seville, January 15 Even King Juan Carlos ap-pears to have been surprised by the pressure for autonomy in this vast southern region of sunshine and siesta. During his visit to the south early this month, he did not take up the cry that was in the throats and hearts of his audiences, "Viva Andalucia!" until the second day of his trip.

Perhaps it was because the police did their best at several stops to leastle away the bearers of green and white banners signifying the attempt to win autonomy for this agricultural reg-

Yet no one could hide the reality from the monarch after the Mayor of Granada—the city in which the Catholic monarchs welded Spain into a nation with their victory over the Moorish King Boabdil in 1492—skipped the formulas of polite welcome and launched immediately into a litany of the region's needs. He ended with an appeal to the ruler to use his influence to make sure that Andalusians get as good a home-rule deal as richer regions like the Basque

country and Catalonia.

Andalusia will vote on February 28 in a referendum to determine whether its people want home rule. There is little doubt about the affirmative out-

Unlike the "historic" regions -the Basque provinces, Cata-Ionia and Galicia-Andalusia is constitutionally obliged to add

only one referendum in the "historic" regions, in which citizens accepted or rejected the home-rule statute worked out by their elected representatives, there will be two referendums in Andalusia and other regions —one to determine if the people want autonomy and a second to determine if they accept the statute offered them.

Andalusians fear that centralist-minded politicians in Madrid would make it even more diffi-cult for them if they could, and they are probably right. If it had not been for the threat by Sebor Rafael Escuredo, President of the "pre-autonomous" Government of Andalusia, that he would resign unless his demand for a seferendum in

February was met, it is quite likely that the February date would have slipped by. "We are recovering a long tradition of federalism". Senor Escuredo said in his office on the elegant America Plaza Sev-ille, graced by flocks of white doves. "I think there's one fundamental advantage, a substantial one, for those who believe in a federal or decentralized

the basic benefit for our The interview, which took place some time before the King's visit, brought out the

fact that, with the exception of

state—a people regaining their consciousness of being a people. As far as I'm concerned that's

the far right, all the parties in Andalusia favour home rule and as soon as possible.
"Federalism" is a nasty

word in some Spanish circles. summoning up spectres of the divisive destruction of three Spanish civil wars in the past century. The Madrid Govern-ment avoids it altogether, using instead the phrase "regional autonomy", which also found its way into the constitution of post-Franco Spain. Yet, the direction in which Spain heading is federalist, and the

Andalusians, even more so than the people of the regions north of here, have no qualms about using the word. Regardless of what it is called, Andalusia wants it, according to Senor Escuredo. Look at all the aspects-eco-

nomic, social and cultural—"
he said. "You find nothing but advantages in my opinion. With autonomy or selfgovernment the citizens come closer to the power structure, in such a way that politicians, regardless of their political colour or their ideology; must colour or their ideology; must be responsive to the people who elected them, who put them where they are. And if they don't pursue policies which meet the needs of the electorate, the people will take corrective action in the next elections. It seems of fundamental importance to me that we are headed towards the development of policies for Andalusia by Andalusians."

## Hijack ends through persuasion

From Our Own Correspondent

Rome, Jan 15 Signor Francesco Cossiga, the Prime Minister, said roday he, was satisfied at the way in which the hijacking of an Alitalia DC9 airliner was settled. without loss of life or damage. His Government had, he said, chosen the path of prudence and moderation. This should not he added be mistaken for

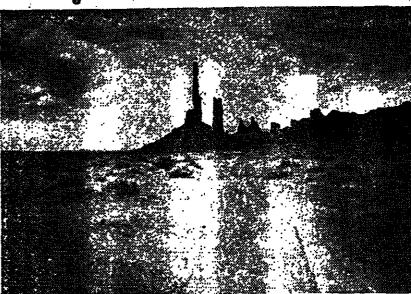
weakness. The lone hijacker is being held in Palermo prison after being persuaded early today in surrender. He was found to be unarmed. The Alitalia DC9 was on a flight from Rome to Tunis with a crew of six and 84 passengers, including 11 British subjects

The hijacker, aged 28, who said his name was Farid Ben Marshri Zaiche from Gafsa, Tunisia, took control of the air-craft as it was nearing Tunis. It flew around the Medic-teranean nying to find a place to land after it was refused per-mission to rough down at Tri-poli and Maka. It fanally landed at Palermo to refuel. The bijacker claimed he was

The hijacker claimed he was: acting on behalf of a Tunisian opposition group called "Les' Vivants". He demanded the ralease of 25 political prisoners beld in Tunisia in return for freeing the hostages.

An official from the Foreign Ministry and a trade unionist, helped persuade him to give himself up himself uo

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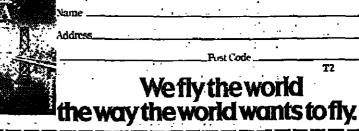


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## National Front chairman threatens to resign in a new clash of factions By Ian Bradley meeting of all members to A new quarrel has broken approve constitutional changes out in the divided ranks of the that would give him more

National Front. Four members of the executive council of the national directorate are refusing to support demands by Mr John Tyndall, the chairman for increased powers to defeat attempts to infiltrate and

destroy the party. In a separate move, Mr Tyndall said he would resign his bers of the National Front, to demand the resignation of Mr Webster, the national activities Tyndall and Mr Webster. organizer, resigned or was re-moved from office.

The four executive members, group officials, admitted that In it, he says they have mis-the continuing attempt by understood the the Fountaine Kavanagh faction to take over or destroy the National Front is the most serious factional assault on our

party ". But, while maintaining their loyalty to Mr Tyndall, they criticized as "unconstitutional and unwise" his proposal to call for an extraordinary general

Mr Andrew Fountaine and Mr Paul Kavanagh are former members of the party's national directorate who were expelled last autumn. In December they launched a "constitutional launched a "constitutional movement", which they claim has the support of 2,000 mem-

Mr Tyndall has responded to the circular sent out by his fellow members of the execuunderstood the position and failed to realize the state of emergency within the Front.
He said: "The fact is that I am saying I will resign at the end of this month unless I get the powers I need. There is an enormous strength of feeling within the membership of the

party that constitutes a state of

emergency ".

main issue confronting it. Mr Webster said he had no desire to see Mr Tyndall resign

" John Tyndall has known me said. "I was the proposer of his nomination for election as chair-

for an extraordinary general meeting at a meeting of the 18-man national directorate on will resign.

Mr Tyndall also said yester-day that he was accusing only certain individual elements in the League of St George of infiltrating the Front with the intention of destroying it, and not the whole league, as was implied in a report in The Times last Friday.

Mr Tyndall said he regarded Mr Webster's position in the leadership of the Front as the

and would be happy to carry on under his leadership. and we have worked in close collaboration for 18 years", he

man last September ". Mr Tyndall will put his call Saturday. If the meeting rejects his proposal, he says that he

#### Protest by taxi drivers halts Paris traffic

From Our Own Correspondent Compounding the nuisance of the rail strike which reduced traffic yesterday and today to one train out of three on the main lines, and between 30 and 40 per cent of suburban services; Paris taxi drivers demonstrated this morning at the Esplanade des Invalides against the low rate of increase of fares decided by the Government.
One thousand, out of a total of 14,300 Paris taxis, parked on the Esplanade bumper to

bumper, and effectively brought to a hair all traffic in the area, while their drivers held u meeting. In the afternoon, the convov of cars made its way to the Finance Ministry, blocking the Rue de Rivoh, while a delega-tion was received by an official

of the budget department.
At the head of the convoy, several demonstrators on foot compelled taxis which did not take part in the protest action to stop and drop their passengers. A few eggs were

by,
The drivers claim that the 10 per cent fare increase authorized from January 15, plus another 5 per cent next July does not compensate for the increase in petrol prices and social insurance contributions They demand an immediate increase of 15 per cent, and a tax-free quota of 5,000 litres of petrol a year.

thrown at others as they drove

The rail strike will be followed on Thursday by a postal strike, called by all three main trade union organizations Some 20,000 postal worker are due to take part in it. A demonstration will be held in front of the Ministry of Posts and Telegraphs against the suppression of distribution of

relegrams, pneumatiques and express letters in Paris on

Sunday, which came into force on January 2: The strikers also want every other Saturday free, the reduction of the working week to 35 hours over five days, and an additional 3,000 staff.

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Association. The association feels that the council is abandoning the commitment, set out in its 1978 plan, to ensure a healthy balance of commercial, industrial and residential development. Instead, the area is being handed over piece by piece to speculators, who will eventually destroy its charm and charactect who works for the association, concedes that the conversion and renovation of former market buildings for new uses gives the impression that the area is alive and well.

rents of up to £25 a square foot, he says. One of the worst 14 sites either in the process of, or scheduled for, redevelop-ment. Of those schemes, only one, the GLC's restoration of the central market building, receives its qualified approval, while one other, the Royal Opera House extension, is described without comment.

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loss and that, while it gives priority to applications for light industry, the tendency is for industry to move out of Couple jailed for cruelty to

> James Sheppard and his wife, Jennifer, who were jailed for cruelty to a baby son who died, lost appeals against conviction in the Court of Appeal in London yesterday.
>
> The judges, including Lord
> Widgery, the Lord Chief
> Justice, held that the state of the law relating to "wilful neglect" in child cruelty cases was such that the Court of Appeal could not interfere.

appeal to the Lords later this Mr Sheppard, aged 21, a loader, and his wife, Jennifer, aged 23, of Kingsway, Wellingborough, Northamptonshire, were jailed for six and nine months respectively at Northampton Crown Court on Novem-

trition. At that time they were described as "having done their incompetent best" as

contended that the word "wilful" in the context of wilful neglect under the provisions of the Children and Young Per-sons Act, 1933, required proof by the prosecution of knowledge by accused parents that their actions would be

But legal precedent was quite iniurious clear that the prosecution did not have to go that far in child cruelty cases, the judge said.
That was the state of the law
and the trial judge could not be blamed for adopting it. Appeals against sentence

were adjourned.

son lose appeal

But the court felt that the issue should be reviewed by the House of Lords, Lord Widgery said. They were allowed uncon-ditional bail, and freed pending

> ber 26 last. They were convicted of cruelty to their son, Martin, aged 16 months, by wilfully neglecting, him. The boy died in January, 1979, from mainutivities As that they appear they

Lord Widgery said the couple

## **EEC** of meeting British budget demand

From David Wood
Strasbourg, Jan 15
The line being adopted by
the Government in current EEC ministerial talks on how to achieve Mrs Thatcher's objective of "a broad budgetary balance" has been set out in a Treasury document now in the hand of Conservative MPs in the European Parliament. It is expected to be developed when the Italian Prime Minister, as president of the Council of Ministers, pays his first visit to the Parliament here tomor-

At the Dublin summit meeting in November Mrs Thatcher rejected the Commission's offer of £350m ("a third of the loaf") and insisted on £1,000m during the financial year of 1980-81.

The Treasury guidance to the British MPs suggests that the simplest way of cutting Britain's deficit with the Commun-ity would be to establish a "reeipts mechanism". This is an arrangement by

This is an arrangement by which Britain's receipts would be increased from a special fund within the EEC budget "to a given proportion of Community average receipts," or in relation to relative gross national products.

Such a mechanism, it is

Such a mechanism, it is stated, would build on an existing Community instrument, and would also be self-correcting, since the refund would fall if British receipts drew nearer to the Community average.

Two other devices, by impli-cation less favoured, are mentioned. Firstly, existing Com-munity policies such as the re-gional development fund or ex-

penditure on the common agri-cultural policy could be reori-ented exclusively or preponder-antly towards Britain. Secondly, there could be new or extended EEC policies "in areas where the lion's stare of the benefits would fall to the United King. would fall to the United King-dom."

The three proposals evidently summarize the brief being used by Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Sir Ian Gilmour, Lord Privy Seal, in their circuit of the capitals of the Nine in preparation for the next symmit meeting in late February or March, when Mrs Thatcher expects full satisfac-

the Government has no set views on which of the three possible courses would be the best for the Community as a whole. The Treasury document adds "Any method or combination of methods that reduced the United Kingdom net contribution by a large enough amount and on a lasting basis would be acceptable".

Although supporting the re-structuring of the EEC budget, the Treasury argues it would be a mistake to think that a quick solution to Britain's problem solution to Britain's problem lies there. Expenditure on common agricultural policy guarantees must be contained and reduced, but a 50 per cent reduction by 1981 would have relatively small effect in reducing the net British contribution.

"For the foreseeable future", the Trassure says "much more the Treasury says, "much more than early moves towards restructuring will be needed for the United Kingdom's problem to be satisfactorily resolved".

## Mrs Thatcher ready for 'genuine compromise'

By Hugh Noves Parliamentary Correspondent Westminster

Mrs Thatcher admitted in the Commons yesterday that the going "for genuine compro-Government had little room left mise" although she added that for manoeuvre in its aim of achieving a broad balance doned its objectives. for manoeuvre in its aim of achieving a broad balance between Britain's contributions

deputy leader of the party, and not the aim.

Mr Peter Shore, opposition spokesman on foreign affairs, to spoke of the need to press for yester an assurance from the wastly increased receipts from the committee to reduce get an assurance from the Prime Minister that the Govern-Prime Minister that the Government's determination was not
wavering, Mrs Thatcher left no contribution to the budget.

doubt that there had been a retreat from her pre-Dublin

She told MPs that she was

It was clear to the House to the EEC budget and receipts that, perhaps for tactical from it. In spite of repeated attempts EEC heads of State, the Gov-by Labour front benchers, ernment has abandoned at least including Mr Michael Foot, the phrase "broad balance" if

#### stowaway thrown in river' From Robert Schuil

Amsterdam, Jan 15 The captain of a Dutch ship, rhe Emmely, has admitted that he ordered a stowaway thrown overboard last October while in Nigeria, according to the public prosecutor in Rotterdam.

prosecutor in Kotterdam.

He said the captain, aged 36, admitted yesterday that on October 24 of last year a Ghanaian, aged about 20, who had stowed away on board the Emmely, was thrown overboard on his orders while the ship was on the river Bonny in

Members of the ship's crew had said the man was drowned and had reported the matter to the authorities in Rotterdam in

The master of the Emmely was arrested on Thursday at Amsterdam airport when he returned to the Netherlands by

#### Captain 'ordered | 14m take part in Italian general strike From Our Own Correspondent

which halted most of industry Agriculture, which was also affected by bad weather, also came to a halt. Ministries, public offices and many schools

were closed.

The strike was intended by the main trade union federations as a profest against what they feel are the inadequacies of the Government's economic policies.

Papers stopped: Journalists and printing workers struck yesterday to prevent newspapers being published today, but radio and television news transmissions continued. The Milan stock exchange and many banks stayed open and members of minority independent unions carried on working.—Reuter.

## Marchais visit to Russia cripples Eurocommunism

From Michael Binyon Moscow, Jan 15

The recent visit by M Georges Marchais, leader of the French Communist Party, could not have been more satisfactory to Moscow.

As well as giving the Russians much needed support for their actions in Afghanistan, the public return of the French to the Moscow fold looks like influential theoretical journal the death blow to Eurocommunism, a phenomenon which worried the Russians as much as it puzzled the West.

In an interview in Moscow with Prench television shortly before his departure, M Marbefore his departure, M Marchais was at pains to justify Soviet intervention in Afghanistan. Both the tone and content of his remarks made it clear that the French party now fully support the ideological positions of their Soviet comrades.

The importance of M Marchais's visit was under-Mirchals visit was inectlined by the extensive coverage given to it in the Soviet
press and by the personal part
President Brezhnev took in
talks with M Marchais during

his five-day stay.

Mr Suslov, the Politburo's veteran ideologist, had reason to be well pleased. For not only is the French party large only is the French party large and influential in a country that still enjoys a privileged position in its relations with the Russians, but it is the lynch pin of Eurocommunism. With the French the movement has some influence. Without them Eurocommunism has little significance.

The Russians were more worried by French identifica-tion with Eurocommunism than with the French, that they can by the positions of the Italians or Spaniards.

French Communist support any attraction in the West, has for the release of a Ukrainian clearly failed to bring in the dissident in 1975 and the re-

jection after the 1976 national congress of such cherished con-cepts as the dictatorship of the proletariat were blows aimed at the heart of Soviet ideology. Worse, public declarations of solidarity with the Spanish and Italian parties turned a challenge to Soviet leadership of the world communist movement into the formulation of a rival heresy.

Kommunist\_sharply\_attacked\_a group of French Communists whose book, The USSR and Ourselves, was critical of Soviet society and ideology.

December, 1978,

Kommunist said that even though the authors claimed to be objective, they adopted an ambiguous position.

The journal said the authors had tried to undermine the French party's traditional support for the Soviet Union, insulted the Soviet people and viewed Soviet reality through eyes of the enemies of socialism.

Last October these criticisms were voiced at an ideological meeting by Mr Boris Ponoma-rev, a candidate Polithuro member in charge of foreign relations.

Speaking of "so-called Euro-communism", he declared mmunism", he declared: The first and foremost danger in it is in the pitting of one particular model of socialism, which has been directly in-fluenced by social democratic and bourgeois concepts, against that of real socialism, and in the attempts to deny the universal and historic significance of our achievements."

go more openly into the attack. Eurocommunism, if it ever had

#### IAFGHANISTAN.

### Lord Carrington will be told of objections to military aid for Pakistan

## India fears US arms may be turned against it

On the eve of Lord Carring-ton's arrival here on the most delicate stage of his tour m find our south Asia's reactions to the Afghanistan situation, India is emphasizing its objec-tions to Pakistan accepting

Talks have been going on Talks have been going on between the two Governments on ways of "stabilizing the situation in the region", a spokesman for the External Affairs Ministry said here today. This is in line with Mrs Gandhi's view that the introduction of United States arms to help Pakistan defend itself against possible Soviet expansion would "de-stabilize" the region.

The British Foreign Secretary will be calling on Mrs Gaudhi shortly after he arrives from Pakistan tomorrow evening Pakistan tomorrow evening because the Indian Prime Minister will be out of Delhi all day on Thursday. Lord Carrington will be meeting Mr P. V. Narasimha Rao, the External Affairs Minister, who took

office yesterday, on Thursday now seems probable, by those together with senior Indian of Mr. Andrei Gromyko, the There is a strong impression

here, and not only among Indians that the United States's decision to help Pakistan as a result of the Soviet intervention

result of the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan was made without any consideration of its effects on India.

Mr Robert Goheen, the American Ambassador, is back after hasty consultations in Washington with a message from President Carter to Mrs Gandhi on the proposed United States arms deliveries to Pakistan along with economic aid.

Lord Carrington will therefore have the advantage of fore have the advantage of being the first to show a serious. concern by the West for India's views, whose importance has only been heighthened by Mrs Gandhi's triumph in the

quickly followed by those of France, with its differing emphasis (as the Indians have eagerly sensed) to be put by President Giscard d'Estaing who of Mr. Andrei Gromyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister, to-wards the end of the month.

wards the end of the month."

There are rumours here that
Lord Carrington might try to
persuade India and Pakistan to
agree to participate in joint defence: arrangements, but the
External Affairs Ministry
spokesman emphasized that
India was averse to defence
treaties in the area. He reiters
ted that India's only desire was

deep-seated concerns.

These are that Pakistan might use the arms against India—as happened in two wars which have become part of the folk memory—and China. The recent visit of the American Defence Secretary to Peking may have looked sense from Washington, but in the Indian context that only helped the Russians. only helped the Russians.

fence arrangements, but the External Affairs Ministry spokesman emphasized that India was averse to defence treaties in the area. He reiterated that India's only desire was for restoration of normal relations, with Pakistan.

The central problem facing Lord Carrington will be persuading Mrs Gandhi to dropher beliefs that India faces a graver danger to its security from the United States attempt to supply arms to Pakistan than from the Soviet action in Afghanistan.

There is therefore the risk that while he will obviously seek to obtain from India ideas for more long-term ways to avert a more dangerous situation from developing in the region, he will be faced only by India's more immediate, but deep-seated concerns.

opportunity during the Janara years to give Indians any sub-stantial reasons for favouring it.

## Pakistan believes Soviet

Diplomatic Correspondent
Islamabad, Jan 15
President Zia of Pakistan,
looking alert and confident in his general's uniform today gave Lord Carrington an assess-ment of the dangers to Pakistan and the region as a whole after the Soviet invasion of Afghani-

Tomorrow the Foreign Secre-

action has upset

balance of the region

Tomorrow the Foreign Secretary will get a closer look at the trouble spots when he visits a camp for Afghan refugees and goes to the Khyber Pass.

General Zia's key point was that the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan, formerly a buffer state between Pakistan and the Soviet Union represented a Soviet Union, represented a total change in the balance of the region. But Pakistan's army was capable of defending its borders, he told a press con-

ference. "Generally speaking, it is a military rule that when a foreigner enters your territory with aggressive intentions, you do not go and kiss him on the cheek." He hoped that Pakis-tan would not have the occasion to meet any such aggression, he

said.
General Zia, while emphasizing the friendship of China first and foremost, made the point that Pakistan could not ignore the presence of a superpower in the region and that he wanted to achieve good relations with the Societ Union lations with the Soviet Union, and greater understanding. He also spoke warmly of establishing neighbourly relations with India.

Answering press questions in relaxed and fluent style, General Zia hardly gave the impression of a man beser by alarm or doubt. He declined to specify what kind of military assistance or economic aid he would like from the West, noting merely that talks with the United States were well in hand. So far as he understood, there were no political 'strings" attached.

Military requirements, he said, would be assessed in a practical way, by military men. It is generally assumed in this connexion that behind the scenes Saudi Arabia would be ready to help finance Pakistan's defence needs defence needs.

The object of Lord Carrington's visit, as General Zia put it, was to give Britain a clear understanding of the geo-political situation.

With refugees from Afghanistan now numbering 430,000, and likely to reach 500,000 by the end of January, General Zia said that more international aid The president shed little light on his political plans inside Pakistan, merely observing that he did not want to perperuate the military regime. The in-

definite postponement of elec-

tions was announced last Chinese visitor: Mr Huang Rua, the Chinese Foreign Minister, will go to Pakistan on Friday for a four-day visit, diplomatic sources said today.

## Some 14 million people were estimated to have taken part in a general strike in Italy today. EEC ministers disagree on butter sales to Moscow

From Our Own Correspondent

ministers declared, was "a threat to peace, security and stability in the regions, includ-ing the indian subcontinent, the Middle East and the Arab world. They expressed the conviction that detente is in-divisible and has a global dimension".

There was much less unity among them, however, about how far they should go in rein-forcing the commercial penal-tles imposed on the Soviet Union by President Carter.

Union by President Carter.

The majority view appeared to be that the Community should confine itself to an undertaking not to fill the gap left in Russian supplies by the American embargo on the sale of 17 million tonnes of grain.

Attempts by Sir Ian Gilmour, the Lord Privy Seal, to get agreement for a ban on cutprice surplus EEC butter to the Soviet Union were reported to have run into opposition from

have\_run into opposition from the French as well as some ther member states.

M Jean François-Poncet, the Premier holds fire on Olympics

In spite of advance Whitehall billing that Mrs Thatcher was about to join President Carter in urging that the Olympic Games be moved from Moscow, she did not take a Commons appointment westerday to say a population of the say and the

opportunity yesterday to say so.
However, authoritative
sources insisted that the Prime

Minister had prepared remarks to the effect that Britain wanted

the switch made, but thought as many nations as possible should

join the move to make it effec-

It remained likely, the sources said, that Britain would follow the United States if the

Americans were successful in persuading their athletes not to

But the Government recognized, it was said, that it had no powers to stop athletes from

going to Moscow, and it wanted

to avoid empty gestures.

To those suspicions that the

Government was making empty boasts or promises about the Olympics or joining in Ameri-

can sanctions against Iran, it

was insisted that the Govern-

ment was active in trying to coordinate Western responses

in both cases.

By Fred Emery Political Editor

States was not a supplier of Brussers, Jan 15

EEC foreign ministers today

condemned the Soviet intervention in Afghanisms any American sanctions
The ministers did agree,

condemned the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan as "a flagrant interference in the internal affairs of a non-aligned country belonging to the Islamic world".

The Soviet action, the foreign ministers declared, was "a specific and sales of butter, but it is the solution of the sales of butter, but it is the solution of the sales of butter, but it is the solution of the sales of butter, but it is the sales of butter. vent all sales of butter, but it will introduce an element of risk that will make traders unlikely to want to export in

The European Commission was instructed to look at further measures for controlling exports of butter and other agricultural goods respecting traditional trade

The Nine also agreed to give urgent consideration to a request from the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees for some \$55m (£25m) in aid for Afghan refugees in Pakistan.

Disagreement on games: Nato countries today failed to agree on a British proposal that the alliance should take action against the holding of the Olympic Games in Moscow this year (Peter Norman writes). Mr Douglas Hurd, Minister of State at the Foreign Office, told the Nato Council meeting

M Jean François-Poncet, the here that concerted action to disguise the imperialists' war French Foreign Minister, against the Games would be a preparations in the Middle East, argued that as the United serious blow to Soviet prestige. With breathtaking under-

in the United States at Lake

Backbench MPs, principally Conservatives, have been active in urging the removal of the Games from Moscow because of the intervention in Afghanistan.

By yesterday evening more than 60 MPs had signed a motion by Mr Tony Marlow (C, Northampton) calling for the switch, while a dozen others had signed the motion by Mr James Wellbeloved (Lab. Bexley, Erith and Crayford) calling for even stronger action including a re-

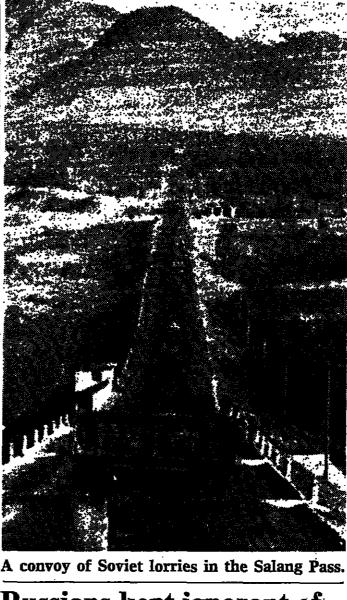
stronger action, including a review of all relations with the Soviet Union.

The opportunity Mrs Thatcher refrained from taking came at Question Time when Mr Robert Dung (C, Dartford), chose to ask her whether the terms of reference of the Olympics regarding amateurs and professionals should not be reviewed.

Mrs Thatcher contented herself with saying that it would be "a very rash person" who got involved in that topic.

Tass sarcasm: The Russians only learnt officially today from

It is unclear what though, if a short item at the bottom of any, the Government has given the back page of Pravda that to taking anti-Russian steps at the Moscow Olympics might be the Winter Olympics next month



## Russians kept ignorant of size of vote against them

From Our Own Correspondent statement, Tass added: "Not

The Russians today denounced the overwhelming vote against them in the General Assembly as a threat to the security of Afghanistan and obvious intervention in the affairs of a sovereign member of the United

Nations.
Their embarrassment and humiliation at the size of the youe is clear from Soviet reporting of the debate, where only the speeches of the Soviet Union's allies were given and the final vote was not recorded.

A total of 104 countries voted against them.

Tass said the resolution on the "artificially concocted" Afghan question had been imposed on the United Nations by the United States, China and their allies. It described the discussion as "an attempt to draw the international community into actions aimed at intervention in the internal affairs of Afghanistan'

Tass said the debate was a smokescreen of lies and slander

in danger as a result of Soviet intervention in Afghanistan

(our Moscow correspondent

the IOC decided where the Games should take place.

A feeding bottle alone, Tass

said, could save Mr Bergland from starvation. "Using this bottle he will be able not only to taste natural milk, but also

Russian kvas, Georgian wines

and Armenian brandy. Unless, of course, Mr Bergland, being a patriot, prefers American Pepsi-Cola 10 all these drinks."

all delegations could grasp the essence of the developments that have taken place of late in Afghanistao ". The Russians can now be expected to step up the already

intense propaganda campaign throughout the Third World to justify their intervention. The voting: In the General Assembly voting there were 18 opposed to the motion and 18 abstentions and 12 were absent. Opposed (18).—Afghanistan, Angola, Bulgaria, Byelorussia, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Democratic Yemen, Ethiopia, East Germany, Grenada, Hungary, Laos, Mongolia, Mozambique, Poland, Ukraine, Soviet Union, Viemam.

Viemam. Abstentions (18).— Algeria, Benin, Burundi, Congo, Cyprus, Equatorial Guinea, Finland, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, India, Madagascar, Mali, Nicaragua, Sao Tome e Principe, Syria, Uganda, Yemen, Zambia.

Absent (12).—Bhutan, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Dominica, Libya, Romania, Seychelles, Solomon Islands, South Africa, Sudan.—Reuter.

#### Carter welcome for decision of United Nations From Our Own Correspondent

Washington, Jan 15

Last night's overwhelming condemnation of the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan by the General Assembly was welcomed today by President Carter during an interview with newspaper editors at the White He reiterated his views that

writes).

A two-paragraph Tass report from Dublin quoted Lord Killanin, president of the International Olympic Committee, saying he had heard that Vice-President Mondale wanted to change the Olympic venue to Munich or Montreal, but only the IOC decided where the the Soviet move constituted the most serious threat to inter-national peace since the Secund World War. "We have taken action that has been forceful, and I believe punitive to the Soviet Union, to convince them that the consequences of their invasion will not be light," he said. Tass today surcastically advised Mr Robert Bergland, the American Secretary of Agriculture, to bring a baby's feeding bottle with him to the Moscow Olympics. Mr Bergland said on Sunday that visitors to the Games would be advised to bring their own lunch, because of the meat shortage.

said.

Discussing the plight of the 50 hostages in the American Embassy in Tehran, Mr Carter said. "We are doing the best

said. "We are doing the use we can."

The White House announced today that the traditional State of the Union address to a joint session of Congress next Wednesday will focus on the Administration's Administration's considered response to Iran and Afghanifresh findings on Chappaquiddick

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Kennedy aides rebut

From David Cross
Washington, Jan 15
Aides to Senator Edward
Kennedy have sharply criticized
new scientific evidence which
is alleged to contradict his version of some of the senate Kennedy a fair chance to reply to the charges. He claimed that the story was "seriously in error", and scientific experts were on band to contradict the sion of some of the events on the night Miss Mary Jo Kopechne drowned in his car at Chappaquiddick more than magazine's evidence. According to Reader's Digest.

at Chappaquiddick more than 10 years ago.

After conducting new computer tests on the accident, the Reader's Digest magazine claimed in an article published this week that Senator Kennedy's car was travelling faster than he maintained when it plunged off a bridge connecting Chappaquiddick Island in Massachusetts to a lonely beach.

The article also said that the senator was wrong when he claimed that after the accident he was nearly swept out to sea According to Reader's Digest, the senator's care was travelling between 30 mph and 38 mph when it approached the narrow bridge and not the 20 mph claimed by Mr Kennedy.

The article also alleged that the senator saw the bridge when he was at least 50ft away, that he braked suddenly, and that his car was still travelling at between 22 mph and 28 mph when it left the bridge. This contradicted the senator's account that he failed to see the bridge until the split second

claimed that after the accident he was nearly swept out to sea and drowned while swimming back from the island to his hotel on the neighbouring island of Martha's Vineyard. In fact, the article said, the water current would have pulled him the bridge until the split second before he was on it. On the direction of the water current between Chappaquid. dick and Martha's Vineyard. both the Reader's Digest and the Washington Star cited the evidence of respected oceanolo-gists that silt had changed an article in loday's washington Star newspaper, also based on expert testimony, made the same point.

When the Reader's Digest was published yesterday morning, the senator's aides declined normal tidal movements in the normal tidal movements in the water channel at the time of the accident. This was disputed at the press conference by equally eminent experts produced by the senator's staff.

When Mr Kennedy announced his candidacy for the programs.

nounced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination Isst autumn, a spate of articles appeared in the press about the Chappaquiddick events. He and his supporters boped the public would quickly become bored with the subject, but this does not seem to be the case.

## Senators considering new guidelines for CIA

intelligence committee are relatively close to agreement on a charter that would codify restraints on the Central Intelligence Agency but give it more flexibility by relaxing some existing restraints, according to

in the opposite direction.

An article in today's Wash-

to comment. But with just a week to go before the first real

test of Senator Kennedy's popu-larity as a potential presidential candidate—next Monday's pre-cinct caucuses in lowa—the

spokesmen changed their minds and called a press conference late last night.

Mr Stephen Smith, the

a key member of the committee. Senator Wester D. Huddleston school wanter D. htdreston schooledged that there was some doubt that the House of Representatives would pass such broad legislation. There is strong sentiment in that body simply to give the intelligence services more latitude without legislating a set of rules.

The Senator said one issue still in dispute was the paid use of journalists, clergymen and academics as intelligence agents. He said the intelligence committee's draft legislation

Washington, Jan 15.—The would continue a prohibition White House and the Senate against such practices conagainst such practices con-tained in an executive order issued by President Carter in 1978. However, the CIA was urging guidelines that would restrict these activities without imposing a flat prohibition.

Senator Huddleston, a Kentucky Democrat, also said that the present version of the legislation would limit the application of the Freedom of Information Act to the CIA, restricting the right to lodge requests for information to United States citizens seeking personal data about themselves. The aim was to stop the cur-

rent practice of foreign governments, especially those in the Soviet block, of using the Act to extract information from the agency.—New York Times News Service.

#### Lubyanka for outspoken Moscow priest

Moscow, Jan 15.—Father Dmitri Dudko, a dissident Orthodox priest who became well known in Moscow in the early 1970s by holding outsermons in church was arrested today and taken to the Lubyprison, his wife told reporters.

Security police also searched the homes of other religious dissidents in the capital today, associates of Father Dudko said. In 1974, Dudko was removed from his Moscow parish of St Nikolai after his services began to attract large crowds. His sermons touched on social and political themes and indirectly critisized the official Orthodox

#### South Africa's nuclear blast that never was

Washington, Jan 15.-A mysterious "nuclear explosion" in the southern hemisphere on September 22 last—which was widely thought to have been ably never took place, according to a group of United States experts whose report will be

released next week.

An American Vega satellite recorded in the southern Africa region a double flash identical to that produced by a nuclear blast. But South Africa vigorously denied exploding a nuclear device.

The experts do not rule out that a small meteorite or piece of space debris passing close to the satellite produced the light which caused the confusion.-Agence France-Presse.

## Mr Botha tightens control opposed to the motion and 18 abstentions and 12 were absent. Over spy network

From Ray Kennedy Johannesburg, Jan 15

Two senior officers are being transferred permanently to South Africa's spy network, the Department of National Security (Dons). One is a naval com-modore, who has been promoted to rear-admiral and the other a police brigadier. The appointments are widely seen here as a move to put the department under stricter control. The announcement was made

by Mr P. W. Botha, the Prime Minister, after weekend dis-closures in London by the former Dons agent, Mr Arthur McGivern. He said there had been a spy-versus-spy operation in South Africa, with military intelligence bugging Boss, the forerunner of Dons. It is known that Mr Botha,

who is also Defence Minister, relies heavily on his military advisers for intelligence

and latterly Dons, have kept dossiers on opposition MPs, mining company chiefs, aca-demics, journalists, as well as black leaders and other government opponents.
Opposition leaders have said

they will insist on a full debate on the activities of Dons as soon as possible after Parliament resumes on February 1. Mr Botha has ordered a report from the acting head of Dons, Mr Alex Van Wyk, about how Mr McGiven was able to leave the country with 50 confiden-

tial and secret documents hid-den in his luggage.

The affair could develop into one almost as embarrassing for the Government as the Muldergate scandal involving the Department of Information, which led to the downfall of Mr John Vorster first as Prime Minister and then as President. Mr Van Wyk is due to be replaced later this year by Professor Lukas Barnard, aged 31, an academic from the University of the Orange From State in A growing dispute is developing in South Africa over Mr of the Orange Free State in McGiven's disclosures that Boss, Bloemfontein.

## New Year's death blaze started through 'a joke'

From Our Correspondent

An inquest into the fire on New Year's Eve at Chapais, Quebec, in which 45 people died has found a labourer of 21 criminally responsible.

Floren Cantin told the hearing he was "only joking" when he held his cigarette lighter close to an arch of spruce boughs decorating the walls of the village hall where the New Year festivities.

"When I first clicked my lighter it did not light," he

want to start a fire but the substance was so dry it started Federal law does not allow combustible decorations in public buildings, In Quebec, however, the law is more ambiguous, M Trieu Quan Tran, a fire inspector from the Ministry of Labour, told the hearing. The regulations forbid the use of any material likely to give off more heat than wood or treated paper. M Tran about 320 people were enjoying the New Year festivities.

"When I first clicked my wood or treated paper. and said that nobody had ever considered whether Christmas trees conform to the fire code. M Cantin is to be charged said. "The second time it lit with manslaughter at a trial to and I raised the lighter to the be held on January 31. The branches to pretend I was setting fire to them. I did not is life imprisonment.

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## Israeli and Egyptian newspapers go on sale in the two countries for the first time today

From Chtistopher Walker Jerusalem, Jan 15

A small but significant piece of journalistic history will be made in Egypt tomorrow when Israeli newspapers appear openly for sale in an Arab country for the first time since the creation of the state of Israel in 1948.

As part of the gradual improvement in relations between Israel and Egypt, it was formally agreed last month that a selection of about 1,000 copies of daily newspapers from the two countries would be sold on news stands on either side of the border in the ordinary way.

The first consignments left the first consignments left the printing presses in Jerusa-lem and Cairo today en route for the main border crossing point near the Sinai capital of El Arish, which was handed back to the Egyptians earlier

After being exchanged, they will continue their journey by bus and appear for regular sale in Egypt, Israel and the Israeli in Egypt, Israel and the Israeli occupied territories a day later than their original publication. Although the number of papers involved is relatively small, the move is seen as one of the most positive yet to have taken place.

According to a senior Israeli of the exchange plan. Mr Ari Foreign Ministry official, the agreement was achieved by individual Egyptian and Israeli same boat as many other

newspaper executives with "the blessing and assistance of both around the world and we will governments". It is the first not take offence. It is all part commercial agreement to have been signed as part of the peace process begun at Camp David.

The bulk of the papers ordered from Israel consists of the lively and well-informed English-language daily, the Jerusalem Post which has been a consistent supporter of the peace initiative. Israel's two Arabic-language dailies will also be sent in reasonable quantitles but only a very small selection of Hebrew papers has been included as the only demand for them is expected to come from Egyptian universi-ties and the Egyptian intelli-

gence services. All Israeli papers are subject to official military censorship, but this does not prevent them from containing regular and often barsh criticism of the often harsh criticist Israeli Government,

On arrival in Egypt, they are expected to be subjected to the same kind of censorship as that exercised by the Egyptian Information Ministry over all foreign publications. This leads occasionally to the banning of individual editions deemed to contain articles offensive to the country or to President Sadat. Commenting on this aspect

of the game."

According to a spokesman for the Israeli censor, the Egyptian publication will not be subject to censorship when they are sold in Israel and to the 1,100,000 Arabs living on the occupied West Bank and in the Caza Strip:

To mark the historic exchange, the Jerusalem Post

this morning printed a special 32-page supplement on Egypt and Israel which included many advertisements written in that arrangements are already under way for the paper to receive advertisements Egypt on a regular basis.

The paper also ran a leading article which stated: "In the most literal sense, this new deal will bring Egypt and Israel closer together. Israeli and Egyptian readers need not always like what they read in always like what they read in the other country's press, but at least they will get their information at first hand, rather than sifted through a tendentious sieve. They may also, in the process, make some pleasant discoveries about their next door neighbours."

The semi-official Cairo daily Al Ahram commented on the forthcoming exchange with a pledge that it would continue to support Palestinian efforts towards self-determination.

Panama City, Jan 15.--Most Panamanian opposition parties plan to boycott the elections for an expanded National Legislative Council scheduled for

This comes at a time when Panama faces economic prob-lems, as well as continuing student protests against the presence in the country of the deposed Shah of Iran.

The opposition parties say the reason for their planned election boycott is to deny the Government the trappings of democratic legitimacy.

"We will not take part in the election unless legislative and other institutions are given more powers and independence, because to do so would only give legitimacy to these pupper institutions". Dr Ricardo Arias Calderon, the spokesman for the National Orposition Front, has said.

The front groups 10 political parties many of whom cannot yet meet the electoral registration requirements, and none of whom has contested an election since 1968.

A serior official of President Aristides Royo's administration said: "The real reason opposition parties are hesitant to take part in the election is because they are a spent force".—



## Bonn worried by possible US action in Gulf

possibility of a blockade or mining of the Guif by the United States. Boun believes that such action could lead to a military confrontation with

of some form of blockade might prove so popular in the United States that for electroal reasons President Carter might be forced to carry it out. This, in West Geman eyes, could easily carry the "spark of war" from Afghanistan to the Middle East. The fact that the Government chose to make its views known through the press at this moment indicates how strongly it feels that there is a consider able conflict of interests and views with the United States, its major ally, and each appears

be putting strong pressure

on the other.

From Patricia Clough
Bonn, Jan 15
The West German Government today made it known that

Like President Carter. the Social Democratic-Free Democratic coalition is facing elections this year and is seeing its

a military confrontation with the Soviet Union.

Government officials said they were afraid that the idea sion because of the rulnerability of West Berlin and the effect on relations with East Germany. It is trying to exercise a moderating influence on the

At the same time, while it wished to give every support to the United States efforts for the release of the bostages in Iran, it would have difficulty in joining voluntary economic sanctions against Germany has big commercial interests and a sizable community there, and in the ab-sence of mandatory United sence of mandatory United Nations sanctions, feels it needs

before it can carry them out.
Mr Warren Christopher, the
United States Deputy Secretary of State, is due here tomorrow for talks with the Government and Herr Helmot Schmidt, the Chancellor, is expected to make a statement on the sub-ject in a "state of the nation" speech to Parliament on Thurs-

Poll offer: The candidate of Iran's biggest political party today offered to withdraw from the country's presidential election after reports that he is of Afghan origin. Mr Jalaleddin Farsi, aged 47,

candidate of the pro-clergy Islamic Republican Party (IRP), said in a letter in the party newspaper: "After studying all aspects of the issue, I feel it my duty to suggest my with-drawal from presidential nominewspaper

Republic, had a banner headline saying simply "Farsi has withdrawn", but party officials central committee was still discussing the matter.

The Times' accused: The Times and the BBC were accused of "anti-Iranian propaganda" today by Mr Abolqassem Sadeq foreign press Director-General at the National Guidance Minis-

Embassy. Mr Sadeq, who said that cer tain journalists had written unfairly, "forgotten their real responsibility" and sent "lies and partial reports," was explaining the authorities complaints against American. plaints against American. British and West German journalists working in Iran whose cases were "being studied."

tryq, over reports on the mora and physical condition of the

Agence France-Presse. Journalists prepare: About 100 American journalists, half the Western press corps in Iran, today prepared to leave the country after the Itanian authorities ordered their expul-

Filipino cardinal pleads for reconciliation

## Judge 'has no power' to try Mrs Gandhi

Only one day after Mrs Gandhi took over as Indian Prime Minister, a judge in a special court set up by the former Janata Government to: my her for alleged abuses of power ruled today that he had no jurisdiction in two cases concerning her.

Mr Justice M. L. Jain, who, had been conducting the cases in the weeks before the general election, today sent back the most important case, involving the Maruti car plant of the Prime Minister's younger son, Mr Sanjay Gandhi, to the Delhi magistrates' court where it

In this case Mrs Gandhi and two of her staff were charged with harssing four officials of the Industry Ministry

The judge found a suitable technicality, that the previous Government's declaration setting up the special courts, ironically intended to expedite proceedings against the Prime Minister, should have been signed or approved by the Indian Precident and not only insigned of approved by the in-dian President, and not only by individual ministers. The lanata Ministers of Law and Home Affairs had acted under provisions which had not been allocated to them.

The second case the arrest of the late Bhim Sen Sacher, a veteran Congress leader from Punjab who had simply written a letter to Mrs Gandhi protesting against the emergency.

Mr Justice Jain directed that the prosecution should take "such steps as may be permissible under law." Mrs Gaandhi's new Law Minister, Mr Shivshankar, indicated yesterday that he proposed to wind up the two special courts. An eager judge today started the process for him. Congratulations : President Zia

ul-Haq of Pakistan today con-gratulated Mrs Gandhi on becoming Prime Minister again and expressed a wish to accelerate the process of improving relations called for in the Simla agreement of 1973.

#### he spied for the Russians From John Best Ottawa, Jan 15

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Mr Hugo Hambleton, a professor of economics at Laval University in Quebec City has confessed that he was an unpaid Soviet secret agent for 30 years. He was first recruited by the Russians when he worked for Canadian military intelligence in West Germany after the Second World War. But he did not become an active agent until contacted by the KGB in 1961 while in Spain.

However, he says he does not expect to be charged as a spy because the information he passed to the Russians was not classified as secret.
"On that basis I don't think

I'm in any real danger", he said in an interview in Quebec City yesterday. "I had no access to secret documents. I had no information that they (the Russians) couldn't have got

from a dozen other places."
Professor Hambleton, aged 57,
acknowledged earlier however
that he was being "debriefed"
by the Royal Canadian Mounted
Police (RCMP) who had taken possession of his passport... works for the Secretary of State RCMP counter-intelligence Department as a transcriber in officers seized a short-wave radio at the home of his 91year-old mother here in Nov- the Russians came from her, he ember. They also took maps, the diary in which he recorded

all his missions, a large number of books and an empty five-gallon gasoline container.

question of whether to make charges in the strange case is now in the hands of the Justice Department, an RCMP spokesman said today. The decision was expected within a few weeks.

Professor Hambleton has also admitted that he provided the Russians with information on Latin American and Middle East economics. He made trips in July and August to Saudi Arabia and Israel to study economic and political conditions in both countries.

"I never got any money and I never asked for any", he said. "Once you start accepting money, they've got you". He said his spying had been on a "very off-and-on basis." Professor Hambleton has denied that he is a communist.

During the war be served with

General de Gaulle's Free French forces. His mother, his estranged wife, three children and a sister all live in Ottawa. The sister the House of Commons. Some of the information he passed to told the Ottawa Journal at the

weekend.

#### Canadian professor admits | Opposition plan to boycott Panama election

Áugust.

argued. "The Government isn't

against a housekeeper is it? Where is it said that the house-

keeper must be a woman? Isn't this an age of equality?"

Soviet papers argue that parasitism is usually the fault of the family's indulgence of

But when hervest time came

"cleaner job"—which he

"Every human being has a

second family—the family of

work", a paper said recently. But nobody wants to give work

to the workshy. Factories are

appear. Rather than report their absence, they allow their

names to remain on the factory

never found.

## El Salvador gunmen leave embassy and free hostages

jail.
Sellor David Pere the Ambassador of Panama and Sellor Alejandro Alvarado Piza, the Ambassador of Costa Rica, were set free unharmed by the Popular League of February 28, an anti-government left-wing group.

San Salvador, Jan 15.—Leftist ambassadors and four other hostages held at the Panamanian Embassy since Friday, after the Salvadorean authorianteed seven prisoners from Also freed with the two consuls, ambassadors were two consuls Señora Maria Teresa Rarraga of Panama and Señor Santos David López of Costa Rica. Before the hostages were

spondents' Association at a lunch that many Muslims and Christians were being killed all

Manila, Jan 15.—More kill- islands against President Mar- which would oversee the transi-ings are taking place in the cos's martial law regime. tion.

southern Philippines than during the critical period of the Second World War, the Archbishop of Manila, Cardinal Sin, said here today. He told the Foreign Corre-

over Mindanao Island. "I do not know who is doing the killing, but people just disappear",

Cardinal Sin, the leader of the Philippines 35 million Roman Catholics, gave his support for a proposed three-year transition period to end martial law, put forward by Mr Benigno Aquino, the opposition leader. Mr Aquino, who is on extended parole from prison, and President Marcos would have to

reconcile themselves soon to save the country from civil war,

Cardinal Sin said that the Pope's planned pastoral visit to the Philippines would certainly go ahead,

The Pope is to officiate at the bearification of Lorenzo Ruiz who was tortured and executed in Japan in 1637 for refusing to give up his faith. He is the first Filipino to be bearified. Flood losses: More than 30,000 people have lost their homes in he added. floods in eastern parts of the Cardinal Sin rejected Mr Midanao Island after more than freed, about half the leftists he said. He quoted no figures. Cardinal Sin rejected Mr Midanao Island after more than the slipped out into the night in pairs. The rest boarded a bus surrection in Midanao and Sulu proposed council of 32 elders today.—Agence France-Presse

#### Refusal to work can lead to imprisonment in the Soviet Union

## Russia launches campaign against workshy

Moscow, Jan 14 Yuri Antonov has lived in a small storeroom in his parents' house in Voronezh for over a year. About once a week he ventures furtively outside, takes a few breaths of fresh air and dashes back indoors, glancing round to make sure no one has

Every month or so a police-man comes to the house and knocks. "Is Yuri there?" he asks. The mother shouts back roughly: "No. Go away. You can't come in without a warrant. We know the law."

The policeman goes away, knowing the son was hiding inside but without eyewitness proof from the neighbours. One day, he is resolved he will get

Yuri Antonov, a 33-year-old plumber, is not an army deserter. He has not done anything for which he would be punished in the West. Indeed, he has not done anything at all the has not done anything at all for a year, and that is why he faces imprisonment if the police

In a land where work is the legal and social duty of every healthy citizen, he is one of a growing number of people who are officially categorized as To refuse to work is not

a social disgrace in the simply a social disgrace in the Soviet Union. It is a criminal offence which can lead to prosecution under anti-parasitic legislation.

But Yuri Antonov would rather spend his life cooped up for fear of being seen than apply for one of the many plumbing jobs being adverused for factories in Voronezh. He has already been warned by her licence, quickly packs up the police to give up his para- her aquarium and turns herself

sitic way of life, but his mother into a local park attendant.
has protected him. The father of Nikolai, a para-Under Soviet law a citizen site in Rostov-on-Don, told a may be legally instructed to reporter from Sotsialistiches-ok for a job only if he has kaya Industria that he did not may be legally instructed to look for a job only if he has

been idle withour good cause for four consecutive months. to find a position. After that to find a position. After that the is liable to be arrested.

Most of the workshy find a job at the last moment. They like 2 No. register their employment with the police, begin at a factory, and then a week later slip away without a word to any-one. Four more months pass, and if they are traced the pro-cess starts again.

"The hundreth warning" was how Pravda entitled an article on the workshy. "Isn't it about time we stopped allowing these malingerers to take advantage of the law?" the paper asked. Should the humanity of Soviet law be used in a calculating manner to avoid working altogether?

And as the labour shortage in the country grows ever more acute, the Soviet press has mounted a big campaign against idlers and malingerers. Articles have portrayed the idle young men as sick people, filled with self-delusions, con-

ning parasites and spongers protected from the penalties for their autisocial irresponsibility by indulgent wives or mothers. Vladimir Popov, for example, is known as the "fish farmer" to the local Voroneza police. A college drop-out, his only passion is breeding tropical fish. He stays at home all day

rending his aquarium.

Occasionally his mother sells
the fish in the local pet market. but when challenged to produce

know how be had raised such a phony addresses. "Imagine, he simply does 50n, '

Most of the workshy take to Anatoly Litvinov was more sophisticated in justifying his idleness. He lived on his mother's pension and his wife's earnings. "Someone has to stay and look after the house", he drink. They leave their families and responsibilities and become drifters. They hang around shops and warehouses and pick up a few roubles unloading lorries and goods. The money

> up for petty crime. Siberia,
> Literaturnaya Gazeta revealed
> recently, is full of such
> people—lost souls from various social backgrounds who are constantly in and out of the police stations. Often undernourished, they

the fantasies of the workshy, Nikolai's father, for example, used his influence to find his son a sought-after job in a factory when he finished his army and the workers were sent into the fields to pick potatoes—as most Soviet factory employees are—Nikolai quit his job rather than dirty his hands. And his father agreed that he deserved healthy ideological connora-tions. Lenin had much to say about those not working not

deserving to eat. only too glad when poor and disruptive workers quietly dis-appear. Rather than report

The police find the workshy administrative nuisance Most are armed with false documents giving them valid reasons to be unemployed and

In the Soviet Union there is, officially, no unemployment. But there are many people officialdom considers virtually

generally spent on chear

Such idlers are often picked

pick up diseases and die young The problem ought to be studied more thoroughly, the causes analysed more scientifically, the paper said,

In a country theoretically
ruled by representatives of
workers, idleness carries un-

The younger generation, how ever; seems more disposed than in the past to live "on the neck" of their parents, as the Russians say. And so the Communist Party, forever glorifying heroic labour," is now girding itself for a renewed and pro-longed struggle with this unwelcome social phenomenon.

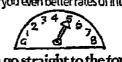
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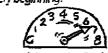


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## Anarchy threatens supplies to refugees As a result no fresh supplies

From Neil Kelly Bangkok, Jan 15

Growing anarchy in Kampuchean encampments near the Thai border could end all food and other aid to the 500,000 refugees living there, Thai military officers and international

Cross said: "It's impossible for us to do our work as long as the situation remains as it is." Anti-Communist Free Khmer at gunpoint and others have taken control of food distribution, causing fighting between soldiers and civilians.

had been taken to the encampments for four days. An Army spokesman said they would not be resumed until the Kampucheans' leaders moved all armed men away from supply distribution areas and from the

aid officials said today.

An official of the International Committee of the Red tional Committee of the Red tiona region commander, said that Free Khmer soldiers had stolen supplies not for themselves but to sell. Another army spokesman soldiers have seized food lorries said some of the soldiers had pucheans appear to have hoarded enough food for their

supplies were running out. Khmer Rouge guerrillas made fresh attacks yesterday and today on the Free Khmer border encampments from a base seven miles inside Kampuchea. Mr Jacques Danois senior information officer for the

United Nations Children's Fund, denied today that food for the Kampucheans was rotting in warehouses in Thailand. This was alleged by Dr Claude Malhuret, of Doctors Without Frontiers, the French organization which will try to march into Kampuchea next month to take food and medicine directly to the people.

#### Joy Adamson's income left to husband for life From Our Correspondent Nairobi, Jan 15 Mrs Joy Adamson, the 69-

ear-old naturalist, author and artist who was murdered near her camp, left a life interest in the income from her books and films to her husband George, sources close to her said here. The income will then revert to the Elsa Trust she set up to conserve wildlife.

For several years, almost all her income has gone into the trust. Her house on the shores of Lake Naivasha was transferred to the trust

drunkenness and increased the financial penalties.

The problem of violence at or around sporting grounds concerned everyone and the Government accepted the view of a working group that alcohol abuse was a major contributory factor to football violence.

The Bill allowed the Secretary of State to designate sports grounds or events, and would make it an offence for any person to attempt to enter or be within any designated sports ground while possessing alcohol or any container capable of being used as an offensive weapon, or while drunk. Similar provisions would apply to supporters travelling to and from matches on private hire coaches.

hire coaches.

Every citizen (he continued) should be entitled to expect from the state a system of justice which is fair. To be fair it must be efficient and reasonably swift—it must protect the innocent and punish the guilty. Its punishments must also be humane.

All of these objectives are advanced in this Bill. It offers a fair halance between the powers of

fair balance between the powers of the police and the rights of the individual, between justice and

efficiency.

Lord McCluskey, for the Opposition, said that some of the provisions regarding police powers, evidence, procedure and penalties were contained in the Labour Bin, and others would have been introduced.

duced.

He could not urge the rejection of any provision which Labour had introduced or might have introduced, but the mere fact that on

particular issues the two front benches had espoused a particular provision did not make it a good

Public concern had grown about

the powers of detention. Given the growth and expression of that pub-lic concern Parliament and the

Government would do well to give a careful hearing to those objec-tions and see if they could be met.

The mere fact that Labour had

similar powers of detention in their Bill was no sufficient answer to those who opposed their Bill and to the arguments now

advanced.

The new police powers were necessary and justifiable, though with some modifications. The Thomson report provided certain safeguards for the accused in police custody. There ought to be tape recordings of all that took place in the police station. Neither Labour's Bill nor this one implemented that recommendation.

The powers were necessary because police investigation of a crime at or near the place where it

ary. Such a power went too far and would lead to bad relations Lord Foot (L) said that the Bill

would create a new divergence be-tween criminal procedures in Scot-land, and England and Wales. If it

were being passed through a Scot-tish Parliament under a devolved system of Government that might

not matter, but because devolution had been lost this Bill had to go through Westminister.

Lord Wilson of Langside, a former

Lord Advocate, said be found it difficult to believe that the powers

of the police in Scotland were not

adequate. They had extensive powers to arrest without warrant. Their right to do so bad seldom

Lord Campbell of Croy (C) said he recognized they were all concerned with personal freedom but that

included freedom from being mugged or coshed. It was too easy in Scotland for the criminal sho

wanted ready cash or credit cards.

Lord Gifford (Lab) said the cry that the police needed more

that the police needed more powers to deal with criminals was

powers to deal with criminals was becoming all too familiar. It waslighly dangerous. The police already had too much power in society and people had too little control over the police.

Lord Maclay of Clashfern, the Lord Advocate, said the Government was deeply and fundamentally committed to the liberty of the individual. It was fundamental to that liberty that the individual country of the individual to that liberty that the individual country is a superconduction.

should have reasonable expectation of being free from crime. The proposals in the Bill were intended to assist in protecting the freedom of the individual against crime.

In the light of evidence the powers being sought were necessary and they must be adequate.

The Bil Iwas read a second time.

House adjourned, 6,21 pm.

been challenged.

## Ford company goes on New police powers in trial for homicide after car crash deaths

Winamac, Indiana, Jan 15
Judge Harold Staffeldt has
white, thinning hair and a
faintly puzzled look punctuated with an engaging grin. Yesterday he entered the airy, Victorian courtroom here and cast a sweeping glance over seats crowded with lawyers, reporters and expensively dressed executives from Detroit.

He announced proudly that he had managed to read nearly all the documents which the

all the documents which the an the obtainests which the lawyers had pressed on him before the weekend and added, smiling: "I guess what I'm trying to say is that there is a possibility that the court has some knowledge of the case".

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The judge's home-spun approach makes it easy to forget that the case he is trying is making legal history. The Ford motor company is the first corporation to be charged with rackless homicide hereuse of reckless homicide because of alleged defects in its products. This isolated country town, ith 2,400 inhabitants and a police force of four, has accidentally and quite reluctantly become the scene for this unique occasion. The charge against Ford was brought by a grand jury in Elkhart, some 60 miles north, the home town of

the three young women killed in a 1978 crash which is the subject of the prosecution.

They were in a 1973 Ford
Pinto, a small car introduced a few years earlier. It caught fire when hit in the rear by another car. The State of Indiana seeks to prove that Ford knew that the positioning of the petrol tank made the car potentially lethal in such an accident and failed to warn owners.

Ford succeeded in a move have the trial location changed to this rustic spot where they thought the jury would be unprejudiced. The grey, Gothic-revival courthouse, which dominates the low buildings of the compact town centre, has never before played host to so high-priced a ream of lawyers as the motor com-pany has engaged for the

Yesterday they began to earn their fees by arguing a series of motions seeking, with some success, to limit the evidence the state could bring. Among items excluded were some of the company memorandums, including results of safety tests on cars, which have received much pretrial publicity. Extracts were read in court

The most celebrated is the one in which a cost benefit analysis relating lives lost to a cash value, was made to help decide whether an additional safety feature should be added to cars. It was calculated that to omit the feature would cause 180 deaths from burning, 180 serious burn injuries and 2,100 burnt-out vehicles.
The document costed the deaths, at \$200,000 (£90,000)

each, the injuries at \$67,000 and the vehicles at \$700. This came to \$49,500,000. As the the subject of an appeal.



Mr James Neal : A Watergate

cost of fitting the device would come to \$137 million it was decided it would not be cost

effective.
The defence argued success fully that the document did not apply specifically to Pintos and that the prosecution wanted to introduce it only to persuade the jury that Ford was a callous company which thought more about profits than human life. The chief defence lawyer is Mr James Neal from Tennessee, who has a persuasive southern drawl and was a prosecutor in the Watergate cases. His assistants, one from Tennessee and one from New York, are equally

sharp The prosecutors, by contrast, wear cosy rural tweeds and seem overmatched legally. Their leader is Mr Michael Cosentino, the Elkhart County Prosecutor, who makes the mistake of blustering when Mr Neal and his colleagues try their more obvious grandstanding tactics.
While in most criminal cases

the prosecutors seem to hold the big guns, here the roles have been reversed and the defence team, backed by Ford money, enjoy more authority. The prosecution did win an important point yesterday when the judge ruled against Mr Neal's argument that no evid-ence should be presented to suggest that the Pinto ought to have been built to a standard higher than the federal minimum requirement to withstand an impact of 30 miles an hour without damaging its fuel tank.
He maintained that unless federal standards were upheld, no manufacturer would be safe from this type of prosecution and it would lead to the "total

Mr Cosentino responded, and the judge agreed, that only the jury could decide what was an acceptable standard of safety.

Today the lawyers were presenting their opening argu-ments for the jury and tomor-row the first witnesses will be called. The trial is expected to last two months and then to be

### Multinational companies accused

### of hogging plant breeding market

## Saving the green revolution

riding a bicycle. Once on it, you have to keep going or you will topple off. To keep the green revolution going, crop scientists must continually introduce new plant varieties because pests and disease attack existing

This is a task of great complexity since the crop scientist may have to cross thousands of varieties before he obtains, say, a tomato with a skin which does not crack, or wheat toler-

But the natural store of seeds is diminishing fast, partly due to the green revolution which has promoted agriculture based on relatively few high-yield crops. Many of the thousands "unimproved" strains are

already extinct.
Seeds are becoming an increasingly valuable commodity and a document just released says that the multinational companies are increasingly dominating the plant breeding

The London-based International Coalition for Development Action (ICDA) says in its report Seeds of the Earth that the growing multinational domination of the seed market represents a second and dangerous phase of the green revolution. The biggest seller of seeds in the world today is Shell, the chemical giant. And just four companies (Dekalb, Pioneer, Sandoz and Ciba-Geigy) control two-thirds of the corn (maize) and hybrid sorghum seed market in the United States.

A familiar pattern of multi-national exploitation of a Third World resource seems about to

The United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) says that one company. United Brands (formerly United Fruit), possesses about two-thirds of the world's potential breeding

the world's potential breeding stock of banana.

This trend is dangerous, the ICDA report says, because of the speed with which plant varieties are becoming extinct and some of the new varieties introduced by the green revo-lution have turned out to be susceptible to what were previously considered minor pests. It follows that anyone who controls these seed banks is in a position of great potential

y Anil Agarwal power, and profit. The type of The green revolution is like iding a bicycle. Once on it, ou have to keep going or you ill tormle off To have to keep to

In the face of the challenge from the multinationals, the in-ternational and national public efforts to collect and store seeds are inadequate, ICDA argues. The task of collecting plant varieties to safeguard the world's future food production remains underfunded

There are only eight inter-national crop research institutes and they tend to collect only the seeds of crops in which they specialize.

Like the multinationals,

Like the multinationals, Western governments are building up gene banks with material from the Third World. "By 1970", say the ICDA report "the US Department of Agriculture boasted material from 27 nations". Twenty-two of these were Third World nations, only 14 of which had any of their own native wheat material in storage.

storage.

"The absurdity of the Third World's position, ICDA says, is that they will soon "discover that virtually all of their rescued indigenous wheat varieties can only be obtained from the United States."

Getting access to the private gene banks is another problem highlighted by the study. The report also points to another disturbing development. Many pesticides manufacturers have now entered the seeds they will breed plants which will only thrive with doses of specific chemicals. In this way the pesticide manufacturers could ensure that farmers buy

not only seeds, but pesticides The report recommends that an emergency budget of at least \$100m (about £45m) a year should be provided to collect and store plant varieties and that the United Nations should declare plants as "resources of common heritage" with governments ensuring open access to

all gene banks.

Anil Agarwal, Assistant Director, Earthscan. O Earthscan. 1980.

Earthscan is an information agency specializing in environment and development. and development.
Seed bank: The world's largest
bank for vegetable seeds, capable of storing more than
12,000 varieties, is being set up Warwickshire in a joint Government-Oxfam venture. The seeds, from all parts of the world, will form the stock for new strains of vegetables to feed the growing populations of

the Third World.

## Scottish Bill

Despite the misguided assertions of various vociferous groups and individuals in Scotland about new powers for the police, including those of detention, the provisions in the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill were limited in nature and in time. They were no more than were essential for the police and their functions of investigating and preventing crime, the Earl of Mansfield, Minister of State for Scotland, said in moving the second reading of the Bill.

He said that the Bill, with 80 clauses and eight schedules, sought to make changes, some of them to make changes, some of them major, in criminal procedure and offences in Scotland, and in the treatment of offenders. It would be a major landmark in Scottish legis-lation on criminal law. The Bill was only a part, but by far the most important part, of the pro-cess of reform which had engaged governments of both parties over the past few years.

The issue which would give rise

the past few years.

The issue which would give rise to most controversy in Scotland was that of the new police power of detention. The Government's proposals differed only in detail from those of the Labour Government. The first two clauses referring to police powers were derived from the recommendations of the Thomson Committee or Criminal

An attempt has been made to suggest (he continued) that the limited powers proposed are creating a police state. They do no such

thing.

We place on the police the responsibility of investigating crimes and detecting the criminal crimes and detecting the criminal with a view to prosecution, but as the law of Scotland stands they have no power unless the offence is so clear against a suspect that they can already arrest him to pursue their investigation.

Any person they approach for information whether suspect or witness can merely walk away. As the Thomson committee recognized, life is not like this. Pew crimes would be detected if it crimes would be detected if it were, and by persuasion and by bluff investigation is carried out.

That was unsatisfactory. The committee did not say, as some had suggested, that the police were acting filegally, taking powers of detention they did not have, but they did say that it was undesirable that the police should have to rely on their present methods and that on their present methods and that the position should be regularized. Under the Bill a constable could require a suspect or a witness to give his name and address and ask a suspect for an explanation of the circumstances giving rise to the suspicion. He had to remain in the constable's presence long enough for him to verify it. If that was not

for him to verify it. If that was not done without unreasonable delay, for example by radio, the person need no longer remain with the constable. Failure to comply with a constable's request for the name and address would be an offence.

A police officer might detain a person for a period of up to six hours at a police station or elsewhere if he had reasonable grounds to suspect that a person had committed or was committing destruction of the automobile grounds to suspect that a person had committed or was committing an offence and for the investigation of a suspected offence or of possible prosecution. The suspect might be detained only for a maximum of six hours or until he was cleared or arrested, whichever was the shorter time, and he could not be detained again in respect of the same offence except on cause shown on the authority of a magis-

trate.
We consider it important on the one band (he continued) that the police be given adequate power to investigate crime by questioning crime but who may not have com-mitted it, and against whom there mitted it, and against whom there is certainly not enough evidence for arrest and charge, and on the other we fully recognize that it is equally important that the powers of the police should be clearly set out in statute and the rights of the citizen properly safeguarded.

The Bill contained safeguards. The suspect had to be told the reason he was detained and records would have to be kept of the time, place and purpose of the

the time, place and purpose of the detention.

The police in England, unlike those in Scotland, might arrest a those in Scotland, might arrest a suspect for certain offences before they were in a position to charge him and question him. The suspect's replies would be admissible in evidence at his trial. In Scotland the police might not arrest someone without charging him at the same time. Over he was him at the same time. Once he was charged his replies to questions would not be admissible as evidence at his trial. dence at his trial.

The Bill provided that any fingerprints should be destroyed if the suspect was either not charged with the suspected offence or cleared of it. Nothing in the Bill put a suspect under obligation to

cleared of it. Nothing in the Bill put a suspect under obligation to give any information other than his name and address. The right to silence was specifically protected.

A person either arrested or detained should be entitled to have a called small appearance. a solicitor and another person in-formed without delay of his deten-tion. No such right existed at

This Bill and other measures together would be seen to safe-guard the innocent citizen, make ustice more effective and make it nore likely that the guilty would be brought to account for their

There was the new power for a policeman to take a drunken per-son to a designated place to be dried out rather than be arrested

### Training to resist questioning iustified

ing in resistance to interrogation should be given to service personnel, where appropriate, Mr Rarney Hayhoe, Under Secretary for the Army, said during Commons questions.

Mr Guy Barnett (Greenwich, Lab) had asked the Secretary of State for Defence whether purpose-built intelligence centres existed for training members of the armed forces and others to withstand coercive methods of interrogation. How many such centres were there, what training was given and how many officers and other ranks had been involved in such training?

had been involved in such train-ing?

Mr Hayhoe (Brentford and Isle-worth, C)—There are three service establishments at which facilities exist for training in resistance to interrogation. The training, which is voluntary, is designed to give certain special categories of ser-vicemen who are prone to capture in time of war additional confi-dence to resist interrogation tech-niques to which they could be subniques to which they could be sub-jected. In the last full training year, some 340 personnel received such training.

Mr Barnett—Is torture of the trainees included in the training

given in these establishments? Is there any evidence that the experi-ence of torture has increased the victims response to torture later? Mr Hayhoe—The use of the word torture is not in any way justified by their training which is given. A degree of physical hardship and degree of physical hardship and mebtal stress is involved in that training which is done under medical supervision. Those involved in it are volunteers and there are many who wish to take part in this training, but there are not places for them. Mr Barnett's comments are not justified.

Mr Cyril Townsend (Bexley, Bexleyheath, C)—Bearing in mind what happened to troops when captured in Korea, and advances in brainwashing techniques, it would

brainwashing techniques, it would be irresponsible not to make sure that officers and senior warrant officers are trained in resisting orncers are trained in reasoning torture which they might experience if they were captured.

Mr Hayhoe—The training undertaken is wholly justified and it would be wrong if our servicemen were denied this possibility.

Mr Frank Hooley (Sheffield Heeley Lab)—The Covernment should

ley, Lab)—The Government should support international efforts for the abolition of torture, rather than indulging in experiments on

it.

Mr Hayhoe—We have cooperated with the efforts of Amnesty International in the past. We are not involved in torture. We believe it is right and proper that this training should be given to our own service personnel where appro-priate.

#### Vastly increased receipts

The powers were necessary because police investigation of a crime at or near the place where it occurred could be frustrated by the refusal of the persons involved to assist the police willingly in their inquiries.

The solution was to regularize what was now permitted in practice and then enforce the new rules strictly. The police, the public and the courts would then know where they stood.

If a person was to be detained against his will was it necessary to detain him for six hours? That period ought to be as short as necessary, Labour had promised a period of four hours, which was ample. Why detain him for a second period?

It is (he continued) a wholly bad provision. I detect shades of South Africa and a police state.

The fingerprinting of suspects who were not arrested was an unjustified interference to civil liberty. It was open to abuse. The Government should withdraw that unnecessary power.

The power to search in the street for weapons was entirely unnecessary. Such a power went too far and sought from EEC The Government would be pressing for vastly increased receipts in this country from the European Community so that it could substantially reduce Britain's net contribution to the budget, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, Prime Minister, said at question time. We have given up no negotiating position in that regard, she added. Mr Peter Shore, Opposition spokesman on foreign and Commonwealth affairs, (Tower Hamilets, Stepney and Poplar, Lab)—Will she make it plain that her objective remains as it was before Dublin—to get a broad balance in the contribution and receipts of the United Kingdom, and that she is not abandoning that objective? Mrs Thatcher—We are not aband-Mrs Thatcher—We are not abandoning that objective. Let me be perfectly honest with him. That is the objective. We go for a genuine compromise. (Labour cries of "Oh"). We have not very much room for manouevre. On the receipts point, if the EEC up our receipts in this country to three-quarters of the European average per head of the population we shall be home and dry in our per head of the population we shall be home and dry in our objective.
Mr Nicholas Winterton (Maccles-field, C).—The vast majority of the British people support her in demanding that we get justice within the EEC. She should not

necessarily listen to members of the Opposition. It was the Oppo-sition that renegotiated our entry stion that renegotiated our entry terms. She is the only person who has taken a strong stand.

Mrs Thatcher.—The policy of the Opposition landed us with the contributions we are now making.

Mr Michael Foot, deputy leader of the Opposition (Ebbw Vale, Lab).
—Since she has left the House in considerable doubts as to whether she is standing by what was said. she is standing by what was said originally, would she give us a specific reference when she referred to this matter of a so called genuine compromise just prior to the Dublia meeting? mrs Thatcher,—The phrase was used at Dublin and I believe either in my statement or in answer to questions in this House after I returned from Dublin

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wates.
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## Housing plans lay basis of profound social revolution-Mr Heseltine

No single piece of legislation had enabled the transfer of so much capital wealth from the stare to the people, Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment, said when moving the second reading of the Housing Bill. Mr Heseltine (Henley, C) said for those who rented or wished to rent, the Bill marked a shift of policy direction in marked contrast to recent years and laid the basis for perhaps as profound a social revolution as any in our history. His Bill sought, in a variety of ways, to break out of the process of housing decline.

Principally, the Bill proposed to

of housing decline.

Principally, the Bill proposed to enact the promise of the Conservative manifesto that council and new town tenants should have the right to buy their own homes, to enhance the rights and status of the public sector tenants to whom he offered for the first time a tenants charter, to offer new opportunities in the private rented sector and to introduce a new system of housing subsidies and regulate the distribution of taxpayers' support to local government.

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The Bill, in dealing with the right to buy, had two main objectives: first, to give people what they wanted; and secondly, to reverse the trend of ever-increasing dominance of the state over the life of the individual.

There was in this country a deeply-ingrained desire for home ownership. The Government believed this spirit should be fostered. tered.

The Bill gave the secure tenant of a public sector dwelling an unequivocal right to acquire the free-hold of his house or the leasehold of his flat, provided that he had of his flat, provided that he had been a secure tenant for at least three years. There were also arrangements for joint purchase. There were limited exceptions to the right to buy, such as groups of dwellings which were specifically adapted for the use of elderly and disabled people.

The market value of a dwelling would be determined by the local authority valuer or, if the tenant so chose, the district valuer. The purchase price would be based on market value less a discount of between 33 and 50 per cent,

depending on the purchaser's length of tenancy.

Many tenants exercising the right to buy their houses would be looking for mortgages, and the Bill gave them a right to one. Those who paid cash or with a private sector mortgage would be helping the public sector.

In any case, local authorities had already incurred the borrowing which in effect meant that a grant of mortgage in these cases was a recycling of existing debt.

If Parliament enacted this legislation, it was right to expect all conneils and landlords falling within its provision to carry out

conncils and landlords falling within its provision to carry out their duties responsibly and speedily. He would use the reserve power to take over a transaction only where he found he had to protect tenants from the illegal behaviour or delaying tactics of their landlords.

The Labour Party had steamfollered Bill after Bill through with profound financial effects without profound financial effects without

protound unancial effects without ever attempting to cost them. Their whole philosophy and purpose had been to pursue the ex-penditure of public money in a climate of minimum accountability.

They had clamoured as long as their history stretched back for the wider distribution of wealth. Now, when the Government introduced a Bill to transfer bricks and mortar to working people, they behaved as though they were giving away the tablets of stone.

Labour had never produced its own calculations despite a two year

Labour had never produced its own calculations despite a two year warning that the Conservatives would make council house sales an election issue.

Many tenants would not want, and many would not be able, to afford to buy their homes. One of the most depressing comments he had heard was that so many council tenants regarded their homes as so indifferent that their principal aim, was to get away from them and the area in which they existed.

The tenants charter gave a comprehensive framework of statutory rights. For the first time in the history of public sector honsing in this country tenants would have

tlats was looked after and this would be encouraged. The private relited sector of housing had been declining for 60 years and the largest cause was the low net return on letting compared with other avenues for investment. A landlord, who let on shorthold, would have to offer the tenant a fixed period agreement of between one and five years. To regain possession he would have to give the tenant three months warning. This would provide tenants with this would provide lenants with substantial safeguards while corre-sponding with the needs of the vast majority of new tenants who were looking for short stay accommodawould offer a fair deal as between central government and the housing authorities and between council tenants, ratepayers and tax-

His aim in framing the charter had been to bring to council tenants the recognition that they

tenants the recognition that they had de facto security and the incentives, for those who wished it to take a greater interest in the condition of their bome and its environment. The more those who could would do for themselves the more housing authorities would be able to concentrate on the problems of those dependent on society.

lems of those dependent on society.

The Bill would give the tenam and his family statutory security in their own home and legal rights to make full use of that security.

Many tenants, after putting work into their home, would want to own it and the way ahead would be clear. But there would be no pressure and if they purchased their home, or not, their charter rights would remain.

Some remains would want to see

Some tenants would want to set

up management cooperatives to deal with the way their block of flats was looked after and this

payers.
The Bill would transform the personal prospects of millions, offering to turn them at their wish from tenants to owners. It would establish their rights as individuals above the bureaucracies of the If Labour in local government

## Two housing nations'-Opposition

sition spokesman on the environ-ment (Birmingham, Spækbrook, Lab) said their principal complaint on selling council houses was that compulsory sales would deny prospective tenants re-lets which would otherwise be available to

Labour welcomed extensions proposed in the availability of grants for repairs and improve-ments, a Labour invention anyway But they wanted to be sure that these increased powers would bring improved amenides to tenants rather than increased profits for landlords and "gentri-fication" of property. Labour also welcomed the re-introduction of a tenants' charter

but not compulsory sale of council property. Much of the Charter was a re-write of Labour proposals, but there were omissions. Why, for instance, were tenants not to be given the right of consultations over levels of rent and charges? He feared this heralded a sustained Government policy of continual and substantial rent increases.

Much of what the Government proposed was designed to turn

proposed was designed to turn Britain, or would have the certain result of turning Britain, into two housing nations. The Opposition believed in two

housing sectors, both looked upon and treated with equal esteem. All that the Secretary of State had said suggested that there was something inferior about not owning a house. That was a division in society which would division in society which would be reinforced by the way council house sales would go.

The enforced sale of council houses did not offer the opportunity of house purchase to every corporation tenant. At least half of those would not be able to afford to buy their houses, no matter how generous the discount or substantial the loan.

Much of the Bill would be deeply Much of the Bill would be deeply damaging to millions of people. Although tenants of corporation properties, prosperous and self-confident enough to buy their homes, would enjoy considerable benefits, these would be enjoyed at the expense of the rest of the community which would have to pay for the council housing subsidies.

dies.
Tenauts in privately-owned property would see their security diminish, their rents increased and their landlords' powers extended. Mr Anthony Durant (Reading, North, C) said the Bill would help raise the status of council house the status of council house the status of council house the status and improve the opportunities of single people and young training the Bill would give pritary to the single people and young the single people and

Mr Frederick Mulley (Sheffield, Park, Lab) said the Bill would damage the financial powers and responsibilities of local authorities. Local authorities would have to give mortgages to people they knew were not creditworthy.

Mr Nicholas Scott (Kensington and Chelsea Chelsea, C) said the Bill should give some discretion to local authorities, particularly those in large city centres where the importance of preserving a good stock of publicly-owned houses could not be over estimated.

Mr Michael Mates (Petersfield, C) said he was concerned at the effect of council bouse sales in rural areas, where council houses could be snapped up as second homes. If there was a reduction in the council house stock it would be more difficult to re-house retired agri-culturall workers who had lived in tied accommodation until retire-

Mr David Alton (Liverpool, Ede Hill, L) said the Bill dodged the need to reform the crazy system of housing finance.

More low-cost homes should be built for sale, and people should be encouraged to move out of council

Mr William Benyon (Buckingham, C) said be could not see the difment forcing a Conservative coun-cil to change its education policy against the wishes of its electors and a Conservative government forcing a Labour council to change its housing policy, again against the wishes of the electors. He warmly supported the encouragement to tenants to buy if the councils consented but could not be a party to forcing a council to do this against its will and

igainst the policy on which it was Mr David Winnick (Walsall, North, Lab) said the Government seemed to have accepted there was no longer great need for council housing, when there was a greater need for council accommodation because many families who might once have wanted to huy their own home could no longer afford to home could no longer afford to because of increased mortgages and house prices.

Mr Dafydd Thomas (Merioneth, Plaid Cymru) said he foresaw rural houses being sold off in quantity, exacerbating depopulation.

opportunity to exploit new ones. Mr Frank Allaun (Salford, East Mr Frank Allaum (Salford, East, Lab) said the government was deliberately attempting to undermine and to end council housing in Britain.Mr Gerald Kaulman (Manchestir, Ardwick, Lab) said the most fundamental change proposed in the Bill was the removal of the duty on local authorities to prepare plans regularly for the provision of new homes.

Its removal (the said) strikes at

Its removal (he said) strikes at the heart of publicly provided housing in this country. It is accompanied by other proposals which illustrates this government's detestation of local government housing and their vendetta against housing and their vendetta against local government tenants.

The cost to the taxpayer of the high rents policy could be an extra £140m a year within two years, rising in each subsequent year.

The Bill was despicable. Mr Heseltine would leave office with the unenviable record of having brought about the worst housing brought about the worst housing

programme since the war.
It was cumbersome and bureaucratic. It deliberately made housing dearer than ever for all tenants
including those in both the council sector and the private sector. It would not produce one single additional home for those in desperate.

Mr John Stanley, Minister for Housing and Construction (Ton-bridge and Malling, C) said there marked rents. A fair rent must be registered at the outset of a

shorthold.
Shorthold was additional to the existing provisions which enabled temporarily absent owner-occu-piers to regain possession. The in-tention was certainly that short-hold should operate flexibly so that lettings could be carried on by mutual agreement.

The argument that only the best houses would be sold seemed contrary to the experience of home owners that all types of housing were sold.

Most re-lets occurred because of

old age and deaths and most people who bought their council houses did so in their thirties and forties and would stay there. Mr Hattersley had made clear he would vote against the Bill but not-whether the Labour Party would withdraw the right to buy from six million council tenants. (Conservative cheers.)

Mr Hattersley—Yes.
Mr Stanley suid that would be noted by the six million.

#### Attempt to amend EEC Act supported The common agricultural policy

was the most disastrous historic accident since the conception of Karl Marx, Mr Anthony Marlow (Northampton, North. C) said when he sought leave to introduce the European Communities Act (Amendment) Bill which, he explained, would restore to Parliament the right once a year to disapprove the community that it pretended to serve.

Taken from people, like income tax or viscosity in the definition of the Bill was a mean of taxation was that it in the of this voracious monster.

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He said that this tribute, money taken from the pockets of the people. like income tax or VAT was a tax. The first requirement of any system of taxation was that it should be equitable. So long as the European budget was equitably both as a means of sustaining the formant's long it would receive the

## EEC ministers aiming for coordinated approach to unemployment

Strasbourg

The Italian presidency of the Council of Ministers was thinking of holding a joint meeting of EEC ministers of finance and economic affairs, and labour and social affairs, to consider a joint strategy for tackling unemployment in the Community, Mr Henk Vredeling EEC Commissioner for employment and social affairs, said during a debate on unemployment. Mr Vredeling said that within Mr vredeing san that within the EEC there were six million registered unemployed but with concealed unemployment mainly among married women and young people, it might be as high as 10 million.

The first year of the energy crisis—1973—had marked the beginning of high unemployment throughout Europe. With an under 2 per cent growth in Europe's GNP the chances were that unemployment would rise by 700,000 in 1980. Energy costs would increase and costs an even bleaker nit. and create an even bleaker plu-ture: indeed the prospects for 1981 did not justify much optimism

Economic growth was far too irsufficient to enable traditional measures to guarantee a reasonable level of unemployment, particu-larly if they took into account the The European Council summit in Dublin had backed the Commission's proposal that member states should adopt convergent economic and social policies bringing about a more coordinated

approach to tackling unemploy-ment. At the joint meeting the Italian presidency was consider-ing holding, the kind of coordina-ted approach that the European Council had encouraged would be examined. Both sides of industry

Prospects were not rosy. The possibility of increased real wages in the EEC would not in the near future be much more than zero. Those on higher incomes would have to make greater possible the low income. sacrifices than low income earners. Certainly moderation in wage demands would be neces-

The restructuring of industries badly affected was only a defensive policy. There had to be measures to create new employment. Commission plans for restructuring some industries were facing considerable resistance in the Council of Ministers.

As for telematics and micro-processing, there would shortly be a meeting of the permanent

committee on unemployment to study a Commission working document on the subject. There would also be a joint meeting with the EEC council of social affairs ministers and both sides of industry. It was boped in this way to stimulate the creation of new jobs.

Mr Thomas Spencer (Derbyshire, ED), said socialist proposals would perify society. There was a constinue to believe the facts and continue to believe the world was fall.

Miss Sile de Valera (Ireland, DEP) said their basic aim must be proposed to use the In contrast to what was recently

stated by the European Employ-ers' Federation, the Commission thought that by and large workers did not receive enough informa-tion from their firms. The pro-gramme of the Commission for 1980 covered a draft directive on this subject in relation to multi-national firms. The aim as a first step was to

give workers more say in the decisions that affected their interests with their firms and to make sure that legislation was introduced with member states to oblige firms to give more informations their waters and their their members. tion to their workers and to consuit employees. M Georges Sarre (France, Soc). opening the debate for the socialist group, said multinationals had the power through decisions taken often in America to wreck deci-sions taken in the Community.

Control of multinationals was im-portant and should not be con-fined to anti-trust legislation.

confine to believe the world was flat.

Miss Sile de Valera (Ireland, DEP) said their basic alm must be to train people to use the micro-chip which would revolutionize every sector of industry. Employment planning could not be separated from education. be separated from education.

Sir David Nicholson (London Central, ED) said unemployment was an evil which the Community could do something about if there was genuine political will and if, for once, doctrinaire posturing was put aside for some practical measures.

The European Investment Bank

The European Investment Bank should set up a small businesses division to provide loans or guarantees, as the United States Government did, to a wide number of local community committees approved by national governments to stimulate the creation of new enterprises and jobs.

The regional fund should be used to help local small business until by providing grams for interest rate subsidies until inflation had been controlled and economic convergence achieved.

Sir John Stewart-Clark (East Sir John Stewart-Clork (East Sussex, ED) said that for Europe to allow the United States and

threment, part-time work, improve-ment in shift work and on assem-bly lines, and in vocational train-

The Rev Ian Paisley (United Kingdom, Ind) said that as the worst unemployment in the EEC was in Northern Ireland, the Commission should institute in harmony with the United Kingdom Government a study of employment in Ulster and then take steps to remedy the situation. Mr Basil de Ferranti (West Hamp-shite, ED) said it was their duty to make people accept the process of job change. Through the social

fund, on a more massive scale than currently possible, they could do so much to retrain people. That was the key to tak-ing the fear out of changing jobs. SIR PETER Vanneck (Cleveland, Ed) said a relatively simple way in which the United Kingdom could substantially reduce unemployment at a stroke was by the reinroduc ion of nattional servic, e This would b ea communatair gater

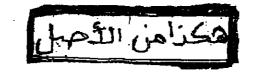
Japan increasingly to dominate micro-electronics and many of the products produced from them could only result in the loss of potential new jobs.

Mine Nicole Chouraqui (France, DEP) said the Community could assist with policies for the limitation of overtime, flexible retirement, partitime work improves would be a communautaire gesture which would bring Britain into line with three quarters of their fellow member states. When Russian imperialism was rampant, bannt and so far triumphant—witness Afghanistan—they could only contervail by showing as quickly and strongly as possible their firm intention to meet power with power. Mr Richard Caborn (Sheffield, Soc) said he regretted that Sir Peter Vanneck had looked to the war machine as a way of solving unemployment problems. The chief axeman of the United Kingdom steel industry, Sir Keiri Joseph, was trying to achieve in three to six months what the Commission in three to five years and some MEPS did not wholly agree with the Commission's plans.

Mr Roland Boyes (Durham, Soc) Mr Roland Boyes (Durham, Soc) said the British Tory Government were a set of pre-programmed robots without hearts. No human beings could cynically create 50 50,000 unemployed in the steel industry.

dustry.

Mr Vredeling, replying to the debate, said efforts would be made to try and get agreement between employers and employees on work sharing. Certain studies were in progress on reducing the working week including the impact upon wases. The debate concluded.



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ance from many people. The recognision factor is the most important thing in the States. Audiences want to identify actors in terms of personality, a look, a style. I resist type casting, I don't want to be mailed down as a particular kind of actor—so the going is nough." Stacy Keach is indeed a

curiosity. A quiet, diffident man who dresses with a lazy elegance, he has been much talked about in Britain—and, except for films, has not been seen here. Even in his native America it is often trard to find him. He likes to play small theatres and beard the boards in wildlands where New York critics fear to room. At lost we have the chance to see what he can do on stage—he has joined the National Theatre for its O'Neill season and next Tues-day will be seen as Erie Smith, day will be seen as Erie Smith, a gambling man out of New York's underbelly, in Hughie, a late play by the American master playwright. Strictly speaking it is not true to say he has not acced here before—when he was a student at the London Academy of Dramatic Art he did one performance. The play? It was Hughie.

"There was something about that year at LAMDA. We used to have a system of one-year Fulbright scholarships, now alas, lapsed, that allowed young Americans to further their study here. It gave me an approach to my work, a tech-

approach to my work, a technique that has expanded my capabilities of working in different mediums."

Keach: a taste for the right part rather than the big theatre

importance—except for prag-matic, financial reasons." by the Long Wharf Theatre his impressive presence both held and charmed the audience. If

Cyrano had come to New York

with its long-nosed hero, it might well have won Keach a

Tony-or another Obie (the off-Broadway award), for he

"It's been critical for me to

work where plays are being done that I want to do. The actor's spirit is such that he likes to be capable of being all people in all mediums. Yet one also wants to leave a signature on a role. Obvier has always been a model for main

ways been a model for me in terms of the kind of roles he

plays—he gets into the character, yet still there is always something of the man himself.

"For many years I had to wrestle with agents and PR people and producers about my image". Being a classical actor used to be the kiss of death, and I had to fight even my own father, who thought I should be in musical comedy."

Reing an actor has not been

Being an actor has not been easy. After initially wishing him

aiready has three.

Acting in the theatre beyond

Acting in the theatre beyond Broadway, however, costs the actor money, and Keach has subsidized his quest for the right parts with television and income from films such as Conduct Unbecoming, John Huston's Fat City, Zeffirelli's

Jesus of Nazareth and William Peter Blatty's The Ninth Configuration. He loves acting in films but "it's a different rhythm, a different process",

and in selecting parts he listens to something inside himself "and so far I've never regretted listening to that voice and mak-ing decisions myself".

To the anguish of agents

Keach has acted in pint-sized

pleyhouses in Massachusetts, Connecticut, and California, in plays by Pirandello, Chekhov, Shakespeare and Rostand. Clive

Barness called him "gallant, funny, absurd, romantic" as Cyrano de Bergerac in Long Beach, and when I saw him in a New Haven production of Long Day's Journey into Night

Film, television, the stage— he has slipped effortlessly from one to another (not an easy thing for American actors) and his most recent film was made with Bill Bryden, director of the O'Neil plays at the Cotresloe Theatre. The pattern of Keach's everyday life is reflected in his movements of the past year.

"I move around most of the time. After doing six months

in Deathtrap in New York I made the film in Georgia, had a few days at home in Malibu, California, then off to Mexico City for a TV cameo—and now London. I know it's often diffi-London. I know it's often diffi-cult for American actors to work here, but everything seems to have gone smoothly for me. A lot of actors jump around, though not many go in and out of the theatre. I once spent five years when I didn't do any theatre whatsoever— and I tell you, that just about destroyed me. I vowed when I got back to the stage I would never leave it for that long again. My family is a theatre family, and I think for most people who are brought up in people who are brought up in the theatre the other mediums never take on that special

André Kertesz Serpentine Gallery

John Russell Taylor What makes it evident that

photography is an art (if not necessarily, as one might often infer these days, the art) is the primacy of personal vision over technique. Of course, this is to be seen only in the greatest photographers, as in the great-est painters, sculptors, film-makers. But one need do no more than just step inside the Kertesz exhibition at the Serpentine to know at once what the art of photography is all

Kertesz has been taking pictures for nearly 70 years now.
Since he was hardly more than
a child when he began he was,
like the even more prodigious Lartigue, the possessor of an eye happily innocent of the period's arty photographic con-ventions. Instead, he just photographed what interested him-little everyday scenes in city and country-side—with a crispness and directness which might in other circumstances seem naive. But for him things fell into naturally expressive compositions, seeminely aimost without effort: his eye was first and foremost the camera, and the technical details somehow took care of themselves.

This has remained so throughout his long career. Sometimes his later pictures of Paris and New York ought to seem very self-conscious, especially when he is following up his passion for photographing something through or reflected in something else. But they do not: one never has that uncomfortable feeling that he has searched for hours for just that one bizarre angle-of vision which will make his picture of the Place de POpéra or the Pont des Arts showily different from anybody else's. Quite possibly he did precisely that, but the results have an easy, inevitable sense of right-ness and child-like freshness of response: he has preserved an essential visual innocence

Guarneri Quartet

After Beethoven at South Bank

on Sunday night, the Guarneri

Quartet turned to Haydn and Brahms on Monday when they

gave the lunchtime recital in

the BBC's weekly series at St John's (it can be heard again

The three string quartets of

sets, and so I was momentarily

disappointed to learn that the Guarneris would replace the B flat Quartet from Opus 71 with the first from Opus 76. But that

is a glorious piece as well, with

a lucidly argued first movement

that kept these players keenly on their mettle, once they had sertled into the hall's distinctive

William Mann

tonight on Radio 3).

St John's

in funny dogs and surreal details—a wooden leg abanslight broadening of pace before plunging onward. The gravely reflective slow move-ment prompted a warm and glowing sonority for its melody and gracious sweetness from the leader, Arnold Steinhardt, in the decorative episode. I liked the timing of the progressions with pauses, halfway through, and the gentle withdrawal in the coda, then the crisp texture of the scherzo, and the rattling

effervescence that these virtu-

oso musicians brought to the

Kertesz's Washington Square, c 1973

how people are dressed and so on, it would be very difficult to distinguish a photograph of 1920 from one of 1970. There

are the same fascination with unconscious patterns (he loves, as in the long series of Washing-ton Square in all weathers, to

photograph streets from high

above, to bring out elements one would never recognize at ground level), the same delight

throughout all his professional doned on a bed in a doss house and personal experience.

Certainly his style has desolate New York park—and changed amazingly little. Apart in quirks of inman character from the internal evidence of and behaviour. What is that

Haydn's Opus 71 are still less finale. favoured than his other mature Brah Brahms was working towards symphony at the time of the C minor String Quartet, as its masic reveals in several respects. Already he was rejecting the scherzo for the gentler. character-piece that would replace it in three of his symphonies, a type of movement well exemplified in this wistful F minor lament, an obverse to acoustics. Their cellist, David the idulic Romance that pre-Soyer, held his own in the cedes it. And in the outer move-turbulent development whose ments he was waging the grand

Some of the reviews on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions

climax was firmly marked with tragic struggle with four players who have to sound as if they are a full symphony orchestra. The Guarneris refused to attempt such a deception, honourably preferring to concentrate on the work's qualities as music for a true string quartet—it is a case which Donald Tovey espoused passionately. In the outcome the two cen-

priest doing with the dousing rod? What are that couple

looking at so intently through the hole in the fence?

Fascinating questions indeed, but these pictures transcend the anecdotal, so that aesthetic pleasure comes not from

answers, but from our (because

Kertesz's) apprehension that something iles beyond the scene, that there is always

mystery at the heart of the

tral movements were most suc-cessful, beautifully played; the big outer movements did not convey the hectic intensity and weight indicated by Brahms's musical invention, though the performance did emphasize the quantity of lighter gracious con-trasted material contained in them both Ideally the C minor quartet's four movements should be played without interruption. The Guarneris felt obliged to retune between movements. Nobody would wish to hear out-of-tune playing, but their cau-tiousness did blunt the edge of Brahms's tonal links between movements, notably at the beginning of the finale.

Television

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## **Future** perfect

**Omnibus** BBC 1

#### Stanley Reynolds

Future aliens from outer space may well puzzle over just why our century's science fiction writers, who deal daily with death, gloom, doom and bugeyed monsters, were such a happy-go-lucky lot while the twentieth-century's authors of straight fiction were sad and suicidal. Mr Ray Bradbury, the American master of science fiction, author of Fahrenheit 451 and indeed The Illustrated Man from which this Omnibus show on BBC 1 last night took its title, is the SF writer as the happy man. He has a cuddly charm and a plucky optimism which makes you think all he has to do is grow Mickey Mouse ears in order to gain a permanent place in his good friend Walt Disney's Toyland. How difficult it is to take seriously a man who thinks Disneyland is the perfect blueprint for the city of the future. Of course Disneyland is the city of the future, but Mr Bradbury:

thinks that is OK.

David Wheatley, who did the Brothers Grimm and Magritte for Omnibus, allowed Ray Bradfor Omnibus, allowed Ray Brad-bury to do a video autobiogra-phy fleshed out with scenes from his novels and stories. Fahrenheit 451 was done with clips from the film starring Miss Jubie Christie. In some instances actors hired by Omni-bus played out little scenes from Bradbury and in others bus played our little scenes from Bradbury and in others Mr Bradbury himself did the play-acting. Bookish people are enchanted by the way authors get ideas and it was interesting to see Mr Bradbury renacting the day he was arrested by the Los Angeles police for walking; walking is such an eccentric act in LA that the cops were naturally suspithe cops were naturally suspi-

James, and for years we tried to get it done. Then I found Bill Bryden had written on the same subject, and together we did The Long Riders. The writer is very important; if we head?'t for our script and Pill's Fahrenheit 451 followed the walking incident. But Mr Bradbury claims he is not pessimis-tic about the future. If, he said, the future was going to be like Orwell, why, he would eat a ton of pickles and die. Mr. Bradbury has a charming turn of phrase. But this is only in ordinary speech. When he attempted to read his own work with, as they say, feeling, it, was embarrassing. Americans lack a formal tone of voice, the passages came out a muddled sort of purple, and this was doing a disservice to a man who is not an actor, who is in-stead a true magician.

Michael Leech

"doctor, lawyer or CPA"

his family encouraged him, even though as a child he had what

might have been viewed as an insurmountable barrier—a cleft

palate, cured after agonizing operations. In addition Keach

has taken on other challenges —he has been TV director, pro-

who was also an actor, I wrote a script about Frank and Jesse

hadn't got our script and Bill's, we'd never have become execu-

tive producers on this film. It's

all product. Without that cona foot in the door. Hollywood is now a writer-producer's town,

and writing opens up all sorts of possibilities. I love acting,

but I want to write more, even though for me it's the hardest thing to do."

"With my brother James,

ducer and writer.



in Sheffield and Oxford. The Love of a Good Man is

an extreme instance of Mr Barker's impulse to square the britain we live in with a myth-ological Britain he carries around in his head. The setting this time is the field of Passchendaele two years after the end of the First War, and the nominal theme of the play is the establishment of a cemetery for the fallen on a place that is "not ground so much as flesh".

Under the supervision of a suicide-prone official of the War Graves Commission, the task is being carried out by Hacker, a Peckham funeral contractor, whose attention to business in the hopes of netting the Gallipoli contract as well is undermined by the arrival of a sumptuously grieving British matron, with dry-eyed daughter in tow, who enlists the besotted Hacker's cooperation in tracing her son's corpse with the aim of shipping it back home.

Also on the scene are a party of variously hardened and shell shocked grave diggers, a ram-rod Colonel intent on recruiting them against the Irish, and a feeble minded Prince of Wales who is planning to do the slums once the battlefields

are out of the way, and whose presence is officially required. to pick out the Unknown Soldier with a pin, while blindfolded.

As an admirer of much of Howard Barker's other work, I can only express bewilderment at the enthusiasm this play has aroused at its earlier showings in Shaffird. as Mr Barker works it out in action, the central focus is dis-pelled by the demands of plot.

Will the luscious Mrs Toynbee succumb to Hacker's lust? Will her daughter capture the virile grave digger of her choice?, Are those really son William's remains under the Army blanket? Is the Prince of Wales going to be sick again? There is not much interest in any of these questions, as there so little substance in the characters.

There are quite a number of good lines; and also quite a number of dreadful ones going to a place where there is desire in the hips of the women"), but either way, it is the sound of the author scoring. off the effigies of a detested national social structure rather " than the voice of characters with a life of their own.

Led by Diane Fletcher's im-perious personification of the women of England, and Ian McDiarmid's bowing, scraping, and snarling Hacker, Nicholas Kent's production is extremely well acted, and well dug into Stephanie Howard's pit of Flanders mud. If only the text had anything equally real to-

## Berlioz at Buxton

Berlioz's Beatrice and Benedict and Thomas's Hamlet will be the featured operas in this year's Buxton Festival, which runs from July 22 to August 10. The theme of the festival will be the influence on the arts of Shakespeare, and parti-cularly his influence on Ber-

Ann Murray will sing Beatrice and Philip Langridge will take the part of Benedict; other roles in the opera will be sung by Michael Rippon and Marianne Hägsander. It will be conducted by Anthony Hose, as will Hanlet, which will have Thomas Allen in the title role, Josephine Veasey as Gertrude, Gordon Christie as Laertes and the young French soprano Christine Barbaux making her British debut as Ophelia.

There will also be the first performance ourside Orkney of

Peter Maxwell Davies's new opera for children, Cinderella. Concerts will include performances of several Berkoz works, including a dramatic staging of Lelio, with Thomas Allen and the BBC Northern Symphony Orchestra under Edward Downes. The festival is hoping to present a perfor-mance of Berlioz's Romeo et Juliette, but still needs spon-sorship for the event.

Other activities during the festival include Tom Stoppard's Rosencrantz and Guildenstern by the Young Vic company, recitals by the Lindsay Quartet and the pianist Rhondda Gillespie and exhibi-tions about Berlioz and Shakespeare and about Shakes pearian heroines in the nine. teenth century.

Martin Huckerby

#### New Barker play for the Warehouse

The Royal Shakespeare Company's production of Howard
Barker's new play The Loud
Boy's Life opens at the Werehouse on February 27. The
play satirizes the life of Ezra
Fricker, parliamentarian, orator, poet, evangelical nationalist, television personality and
hero of the blick. He is piswed

hero of the blitz. He is played by Clive Metrison.

St Margaret's stages concert series

St Margaret's Church, Westminster, will be the setting for four celebrity concerts beginning with a recited by the Netherlands Wind Ensemble on January 22. The Amadeus String quartet will play on February 12 and the Academy of Ancient Music with Christo pher Hogwood on March 11.

Football

## Hibbitt the one player to be favoured by **Cup postponements**

By Norman Fox
Football Correspondent
Both Football League Cup semifinal round first leg matches, Notfingham Forest v Liverpool and
Swindon Town v Wolverhampton
Wanderers, will be played next
Thesday evening, a situation that
will appeal to none of the participants. All four are involved in FA
Cup matches the following Saturday.

Cup markines the following Saturday.

For Northingham Forest and Liverpool, the postponement of rought's League Cup the means that they will meet twice in a week. They play each other in the fourth round of the FA Cup at the City Ground on Saturday week as well as on Tuesday. Swindon will now have to meet first division opponents twice in five days. as well as on Thesday. Swindon will now have to meet first division opponents twice in five days, because, after playing Wolves on Tuesday they meet Tottenham Hotspur in the FA Cup. Wolves also have a testing FA Cup. Wolves also have a testing FA. Cup to against Norwich City.

The Swindon pitch was inspected yesterday by a referee who considered that there was no chance of the snow and ice thawing by this evening when the game could have been rearranged. He was also concerned that the terracing had a cover of snow. Swindon have a league match against Rotherham United next Saturday and afterwards plan to put down a layer of straw. Should the cup tie have to be put off next Tuesday, it could be held on Wednesday, with the attendant risks of injuries that could deprive the teams of players the following Saturday.

The II wind favoured one player.

Saturday.

The Ill wind favoured one player. Hibbitt, of the Wolves midfield, would have missed the League Cuptie had it been played yesterday because of a two-match suspension. He did not play last Saturday and will miss next Saturday's league match against Crystal

league match against Crystal Palace. Thus he can return on Nottingham's pitch was so deeply frozen beneath melted snow that an inspecting referee decided there an inspecting referee decided there was no prospects of an improvement before tonight's scheduled kick-off. Peter Taylor, Forest's assistant manager, said that at least the delay should mean that thest Tuesday's game is played on a reliable surface.

Rovers, the second division side, and Seager, a Bristol solicitor, has resigned as vice-chairman. Mr Seager, who remains a direction, and Graham Holmes, the chairman, wanted the former England full back, Terry Cooper, to take over, but they have been outvoted.

Gregory and

Mayo move

close to brink

John Gregory, a Brighton de-fender, and Joe Mayo, an Orient striker, are both in danger of missing the fourth round FA cup games against Arsenal and West Ham United respectively. Both have reached 20 disciplinary points. Their cases will be con-sidered by a disciplinary commis-

sidered by a disciplinary commis-sion in London tomorrow.

Crystal Palace and West Bromwich Albion both out of the FA Cup will meet at Selhurst Park in a first division match on Satur-day, January 26.

Tottenham have sold out of tickets for their FA Cup fourth-round tie at Swindon on January 26. The match is all-ticket.

Peter Hampton, the Leeds United defender has had a transfer request refused. Hampton wants regular first-team football.

Lausaune, Jan 15.—A Swiss court today rejected Taiwan's efforts to stay in the Olympic movement under the name "Republic of China" and cleared the way for mainland China's reentry into the Games for the first time since the Communist takeover in 1949.

1949. The decision which came one

The decision which came one week after a public hearing here, where the IOC are based, gave Peking the go-ahead to compete at Lake Placid and Moscow and refused Taipei's request for a temporary court injunction.

The IOC had ordered Taiwan to change their name, flag and anthem to make way for mainland China's participation. The Dlympic Committee in Taipei onght the ruling.

Olympic Games

Nottingham Forest yesterday completed the loan transfer of the Southampton player, Charife George. Mr Taylor said the tentiative arrangement was a safeguard against George not being fully fit after injuries had stopped his regular appearance for Southampton. Should Forest be satisfied they will pay a full transfer fee of 5500,000.

Today Forest will know their opponents in the next round of the European Cup. The draw is being made in Rome, together with the draw for the European Championship in which England are involved. Forest will hope to avoid Hamburg, who are the favourites, and include Kevin Keegan. Hamburg easily beat Dynamo Tbilisi, who had eliminated Liverpool in the first round. Arsemal are the only other Foot-Today Forest will know their nated Liverpool in the first round. Arsenal are the only other Football League survivors in Europe, having reached the last eight of the Cup Winners' Cup, but Celtic continue to carry Scottish hopes in the European Cup.

The presence of five West German clubs in the last stages of the Uefa Cup suggests a resurgence of strength in that country and their national team will be a powerful force in the European Championship next June, England would be happy to avoid them in the draw for the two groups of four countries, but so too would the Italian hosts.

Italy, the hosts, England, West Germany and the Netherlands have been awarded the four seeded positions for the European Championship. The decision means that

that Czechoslovalda, the title holders, are unseeded along with Belgium, Spain and Greece. The seeding was based on performances over the past four years.

Failure to appoint a new manager has caused more trouble in the boardroom of Bristol Rovers, the second division side.

Kilmore seizes

on the rebound

A goal two minutes from time by Kilmore gave Grimsby Town both points last night and sent Reading to their first defeat in four games, in the third division. Reading had the better of the first half in which Kearney lost the ball in ankle-deep mud with only the goalkeeper to beat. Then Batch, of Grimsby, saved brilliandy from Heale's diving header.

Batch, of Grimsby, saved brilliantly from Heale's diving header. Kevin Drinkell (61 min) headed Grimsby in front from their first corner. But after 72 minutes a free kick by Joslym came back off the bar for Hetzke to last the rebound into the net.

Then just when a point looked safe for Reading, Kilmore pounced on a rebound from the bar and snatched victory for the home side.

The court decision, relayed by letter to lawyers on both sides, was confirmed by Francois Carrard, IOC counsel. "The court president has decided that the Olympic Committee of Taiwan has no case in the issue of a court injunction", he said. "We are very saitsfied. I can close my file until the next move".

Taiwan's Swiss lawyers were not

available for comment tonight. But

Taiwan thwarted by Swiss court decision | Last chance to

victory





Peyton, the Fulham goalkeeper, looks in disbelief as Blackburn Rovers take an early lead.

## The touch that ended the confusion

By Nicholas Harling Fulham 0 Blackburn 1 By Nicholas Harling
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Blackburn 1

Blackburn Rovers, five times winners of the FA Cup, prolonged the capital's miserable sequence in this year's competition in last night's delayed third round replay to earn a home tewith Coventry on Saturday week. It was an undistinguished match, the sort that made it easy to comprehend why Fulham are propping up the rest of the second division and Blackburn are languishing nidway down the titird.

Rover's winning goal was in keeping with the game, an untidy affair settling the issue in the lifteenth minute.

Brotherston's corner provoked miseemly chaos in the goal area after Parkes had flicked the ball on to confuse not only Fulham's defence but also, apparently, his teammate Garner, who completely missed his attempted shot.

The ball spum back for him to have another go only for Beck to block on the line. Eventually it heartedly for the fead of the fulham manager or deriding the efforts of their club's players

don't want to say anything about it now". Mr Venables said. "I will wait until I receive the report before deciding whether to punish

According to Swausea players, Walsh was upset because he was not given a penalty. Mr Read said: "Walsh was shown the card for using foul and abusive language. I told him about it twice but he just went a bit because Reth was lives on beat herself.

An IOC spokesman, Alain Coupat, said the world Olympic

to make on the decision. The court ruling was a triumph for the IOC president, Lord Killawin, who had fought for years to get mainland Chiua back into the

urgently required.

Up front Fulham were less well served and they rarely looked like penetrating the third division's safest defence or in troubling Arnold in goal.

Soon after Blackburn had scored, Davies smatched at a chance to equalize from Gale's low

Palace took the lead after 12

Palace took the lead after 12 minutes through Boyle, making his first cup appearance, but Swansea snatched victory when James and Giles scored after the interval. In Monday's tie Ian Callaghan, aged 37, equalled Bobby Charlton's record of \$4 appearances in the FA Cup. The former Liverpool player can go one better in the fourth round against Reading.

Birmingham City shattered

The Crystal Palace manager, Terry Venables, will study the referee's report before deciding what action to take over the "sending off" of Ian Walsh after Monday night's 2—I defeat by Swansea City in an FA Cup third round, second replay at Ninian Park. Walsh, a striker, was shown the red card by the Bristol referee, Eric Read, in the tunnel as the teams left the Cardiff pitch. "I don't want to say anything about Palace took the lead after 12

twice but he just went a on against Reading.
berserk. Both my linesmen heard him."

Walsh, however, will not automatically miss Saturday's home against Reading.
Birmingham City shattered Middlesbrough's Wembley dream five years ago with a 1—0 victory at St Andrews in the sixth round.

Motorcycling

stop the

two-wheel war

scored, Davies snatched at a chance to equalize from Gale's low cross but the towering head of the centre half Keeley, dealt capthe centre half Keeley, dealt capably with most of the subsequent threats intended for Maybank. Beck did bring Arnold to his knees with a free kick in the second half and Peyton was equally alert moments later at the other end when Parkes thundered in a drive from similar range. But Blackburn, like Fulham, simply did not have the touch that was needed in front of goal.

L. Strong, R. Modey, G. Banton, Fulham; G. Peyton: G. Peters, L. Strong, R. Modey, G. Banton, T. Berks, G. Barton, R. Merbank, G. Greenway, G. Barton, R. Maybone, B. Greenway, G. Barton, R. Rathbone, B. Keeley, D. Fazackerley, M. Brutherson, A. Crawford, S. Garner, D. McKenzie, T. Parkes, Referee: M. G. Pock (Doncaster).

## Walsh escapes automatic suspension

fight by Middlesbrough, after a 3—0 third round reply win over Portsmouth on Monday, have the chance of revenge in the fourth round on January 26. Middlesbrough won comfortably against the fourth division team with goals by Cochrane, Johnson and Armstrong. Their manager, John Neal, said: "Portsmouth were motivated by 32,000 supporters last week. They played out of their skips, but in the Cup you don't often get a second chance." Fortsmouth's manager, Frank Burrows, was disappointed. "We did not do ourselves justice," he said. unseeded Swiss

Birmingham, Alabama, Jan 15.

—Wojtek Fibak, of Poland, the seventh seed, survived a scare in the first round of the international indoor tournament here. Fibak lost the first set, but then fought back to beat Heinz Gunthardt, of Switzerland, 2—6, 7—5, 6—4. The only other seeded player, Eddie Dibbs (the fifth seed) beat an American, Billy Martin, 6—2, 6—4.

Tournament officials said that the defending champion and top the defending champion and top seed. Jimmy Connors, would play despite a groin injury he received in the Grand Prix Masters tournadid not do ourselves justice," he said.

REVISED DRAW: IA Cup, fourth round: Arcenal v Brithion and Hove Albun: Hirmlogham City v Middlee-brough: Blackburn Rovers or Fulham v Coventry City: Bollon Wanderers v House Torn: Bristol City v Joseph Carlisle United v Wresham: Carlisle United v Wresham: Carlisle United v Wresham: Carlisle United v Wresham: Carlisle United; Rochdale or Bury v Burnley: Swansoa City v Reeding: Swindon Town v Tottenham Hotspur: Watford v Harlow Town: Wolyashampton Wanderers v Norwich City.

in the Grand Prix Masters tournament in New York Connors meets Yannick Noah, of France, in the first round.

Bermingham (Alabama): First round (US unless stated): W. Scanlom beat T. Moor, 6—2, 7—6; A. Partison (Rhodesia) beat M. Cahill, 6—0, 7—5; J. Kriek (SA) beat J. Balley, 6—2, 6—0; B. Tarczy (Hungary) beat C. Owens, 7—6, 6—5; W. Flbat (Polsad) beat H. Conthardt (Switzerland), 2—6, 7—5, 6—4; E. Uhbs beat W. Martin, 6—2, 6—4; S. V. Amrtiral (India: beat P. Dupre, 19 (India: beat T. Okker India: Grand (US miless stated); S. Hanika (19-1) (G. Stevens, 184) beat M. Carrillo (G. Stevens, 184)

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Borg is champion Paris, Jan 15.—Bjorn Borg has been voted world tennis champion for the second successive year by an International Tennis Federation Jury, the French press reported today.—Reuter..

#### Rugby Union

Tennis

Mrs Lloyd

her room at

Fort Lauderdale, Florida, Jan. 15.—Chris Lloyd hay ead she will probably retire from competitive tends after fulfilling a commitment to play in five more events. "I will fulfil that obligation, but if I had my choice right, now, it I wouldn't, play same more ", she said.

Mrs. Lloyd, aged 25, told the fort Lauderdale Sum-Sentinel the had all but reached her decision and would take at least a year off to travel with her pushault. Join Lloyd.

set was physically and mentally exhausted "and needed a week's rest.

"I want to travel with John and support him the way he supported me last year", she told her hometown newspaper. "He gave up his tenuls last year. I'm glad I'm not pregnant now, though. That would be the easy excuse for leaving tenuls. I don't want the easy way out. I want the right way out and I think I'm headed towards it."

"I'm not enjoying playing tenuls any more—that's the problem. There's a good chance I'm burnt out although I'm only 25, I've been at it for eight years." She said she did not like the word retire, but could not think of a better word

"I've been disenchanted for the last year and a half", she said in a telephone interview from Cincinnait. I just don't have the same love for the game that I once did."

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She said her play was as good as ever, but she no longer has the desire to stay on top. After five years there, she lost the No 1 ranking in 1979 to Miss Navratilova.

Fibak is made to

the top

#### Chief selector favours to vacate neutral referees

Johannesburg. Jan 15.—Butch Lochner, the chairman of South Africa's rugby selectors, said last night that neutral referees should take charge of the four international marches against the British: Lions later this year.

Commenting on newspaper resorts here that two French referees whuld be appointed for the series, he said: "I welcome this move While I don't want to criticise our own referees in any way, I must admir that neutral referees are generally more experienced than our men."

All previous internationals between South Africa and touring sides—extent for a two-march series against France in 1975—have had local referees, often the source of suspicion among tristing players. There was controversy in 1974 when the referee Max Baise; disallowed a try by the Lions in the final international in Johannesburg, which would have given them victory in all their tour games.

In the dving seconds of the match the Irish flanker. Fergus Slattery, crashed over the Springbok line clutching the ball. The Lions team rusted to congratulate him, only to see the referee disallow the try and award a scrum. The match was drawn 13—13 and was the only one on the record-breaking tour that the Lions did not will. breaking tour that the Lions did not win.

Mr Lochner also predicted that this year the Springboks could average the drubbing they took in 1974. "I am rather optimistic about our chances," he said. "I believe that we have got the deprinand experience that we need." But he added that the Lions would he no pushovers " and the Springboks would have to play adventurous but responsible rugby to beat them. beat them.

The doyen of South African rugby, Dr Danie Craven, has already warned that the lack of international competition in the last few years could tell against the Springboks.—Reuter.

## Guy's have no one who compares with Hurley

By Gordon Allan
Charing Cross 12

Paul Hurley, who played at
stand-off half for Richmond two or Paul Hurley, who played at stand-off half for Richmond two or three seasons ago, scored all Charing Cross's points when they bear Guy's in the first round of the Hospitals Cup rugby competition at Wimhledon yesterday. Charing Cross now meet the holders, St Mary's, at Cobham on January 31.

Hurley kicked a penalty goal in each half and converted his own second-half try; he was conspicuous, too, for his tactical kicking and defensive work. Guy's had nobody comparable and it came as a surprise when at length they comtrived a try, because until then they do made handling mistakes by the dozen.

Charing Cross won so much of the ball that they should have put the result beyond doubt long before they did, but all they had to show for their first-half efforts was Hurley's first penalty. Guy's once forced a five-metre scrummage, but Charing Cross cleared the danger with significant ease.

Ewan Scourfield made a good break for Charing Cross early in

the second half, only for Chopin to drop the ball near the line. Then Horley kicked his second penalty, bouncing the ball off the crossbar from 50 metres, and his a post with two more attempts. Injury time had just begun when Cullinan's pass from a scrummage in the Guy's 22 barely reached Hurley, who nevertheless scooped the hall up, ran flat across the field, sold a dummy and went through for a try, which he converted. McGuchin scored a try for Guy's a moment later. try for Guy's a moment later, after a run by Jennings, but it counted for no more than a

gesture.

The other cup match due to have been played yesterday. between St Thomas's and Middlesex at Cobham, was postponed probably until next week. CHARING CROSS HOSPITAL:
Chopin: P. Mason, E. Scourfield,
Scourfield, R. Slacey: P. Hurley,
Cullinan: C. Ogden, L. Burke,
Barter, J. Selwyn (replacement:
Bridle), G. Kolly, O. Karin, A. Wi
M. Haw. M. Haw. CUY'S HOSPITAL: M. Hackett: H Williams, D. Maggs. M. Revrc. I Jennings; A. Sewyer, N. Poole; G Parry, E. Rose, P. Cording, J. Grab D. McGuchin, J. Brazier, L. Hughes Flanagan. Referee: D. Herriott (London).

#### Union produces a strong **English team**

By a Staff Reporter

All the English universities have put their heads together for the first time to choose a representative side. This union has been brought about for the meeting of English Universities and Irish Universities at the London University ground, Motspur Park, New Malden, tomorrow (kicknew Malden, tomorrow (kicknew Malden, tomorrow (kicknew Malden, tomorrow (kicknew Athletic Union, London University and Oxford and Cambridge were on the selection panel. The Oxbridge selectors were the respective captains, Ian Peck (Cambridge) and Peter Enevoldson (Oxford).

The English team is strong, even though Peck, Toby Alichnrch and Ian Metcalfe were not available because of injury or international calls. Nick Mallett. Paul Ackford, Mike Perry and Marcus Rose are in the English XV and have all made a mark on a wider stage.

The Irish side must do without

Rose are in the English XV and have all made a mark on a wider stage.

The Irish side must do without Donal Spring, who will be with the senfor side at Twickenham, but they include five men who have played at B international level, and finn and Irwin appeared in the final lrish trial.

It is the first time that Irish Universities have met English opposition since 1960, when Derek Morgan—then a Newastle student and the England No 8, and now chairman of the UAU rugby committee and a national selector—played for the UAU (English Universities) XV. There will be an inspection of the pitch today.

ENGLISH UNIVERSITIES: W. M. H. Rose (Cambridge); P. R. Asquith (London); J. F. Thornton (Cambridge), E. A. K. Ontst-Action (Oxford); M. R. Perry (Liverpool). C. Mültord (Cambridge), E. A. K. Ontst-Action (Oxford); M. R. Perry (Liverpool). C. Mültord (Cambridge); D. Cambridge); M. J. Budge (Oxford), R. J. Stevenson (Manchester), N. M. Mallett (Oxford); M. Stevenson (Manchester), N. M. Mallett (Oxford); M. Stevenson (Manchester), N. M. Mallett (Oxford); B. J. Stevenson (Cort); B. J. Stevenson (Cort); B. J. Stevenson (Cort); B. J. Stevenson (Cort); J. The Mallett (Oxford); J. Stevenson (Cort); B. J. Stevenson (Cort); B. J. Stevenson (Cort); B. J. Stevenson (Cort); B. J. Matthews (Queen's, Belfast); P. Matthews (Queen's, Belfast); Referee: R. Quittenton (London).

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#### Bustaffa takes over from injured Gourdon

Paris, Jan 15.—The Carcassonne right wing, Daniel Bustaffa, will take over from the injured Jeau-Francois Gourdon in the French team to play Wales at Cardiff Arms Park in the five-nation championship match on Saturday.

Bustaffa, aged 24, was considered unlucky not to gain the right wing berth when the team were announced last week. He was chosen for the French tour of New Zealand last summer but had to return home after being injured in the opening match. The last of his six caps was gained in 1978 against Wales in Cardiff. Another change in the French party today was the Inclusion of the Bagneres acrum half, Adrien Mournet, who takes over as replacement from Yves Lafarze (Montferrand), who has influenza. Mournet's place in the France B side to play Scodand B at Antillac on January 20 will now be taken by Jean-Pierre Lafforgue (Lourdes).—Agence France-Presse.

Pickin picked The Yorkshire scrum half, Joe Pickin, who was forced to pull out of Richmond's side against London Irish last weck after being declared ineligible for the merit table match, belatedly makes his first appearance, against Gosforth at the Athletic Ground on Saturday.

Today's fixtures

Kick-off 7.50 unless stated FA CUP: Third round replay: Bury FIRST DIVISION: Manchester United VELST CUP: Four of the control of th

## Geneva, Jan 15.—A group of the world's leading professional motor cyclists and the body who supervizes international grand prix events will hold talks here tomorrow aimed ar preventing a financially disastrous split in the sport. If the talks fail the International Motor Cycle Federation (FIM) will start their grand prix season in Venezuela next March without some of the big names of the sport. Tomorrow's meeting at FIM headquarters in a Geneva lakeside suburb has been arranged at the initiative of the World Series ITINETATY SECTET Cape Town. Jan 15.—The Sports Council mission arrived here to council mission. Dick Jeeps, and they intended keeping their itinerary in Cape Town as confidential as possible to carry out their mission undisturbed. It is believed the mission will hold talks with the South African rugby board at Newlands and meet various government officials and ministers. Tomorrow they will metalize of the South African Council of Sport. including the chairman, Hassan Howa, and will also travel to Stellenbosch.—AP. mainland China back into the Olympic Games without prejudicing the participation of Taiwan. Last October an IOC executive board meeting in Nagoya, Japan, recommended that Taiwan be given until January 1, 1980, to drop its old name, flag and anthem and use instead the term "Chinese Taipei Olympic Committee" for all further Olympic Games. This was larer approved overwhelmingly in a postal ballot vote among the IOC's 89 members.—AP. sources on both sides predicted that the Taiwan Olympic Committee would immediately appeal against the court decision. Mr Carrard said he did not rule out such an appeal, but he doubted whether it would affect Peking's pardicipation in next month's Winter Olympics.

## A close look at treble chance systems through which fortunes are won and lost Random choice matched against team form

ight the ruling.

On November 24, 1979, Graham airey, aged 30, the proprietor of a par radio installation firm in Leicester.
Son £758,896 on the Littlewoods
Treble Chance pool—a first dividend
of £750,000 (the Littlewoods limit) blus several lesser dividends. He hared his win with three of his employees, because they had made their entry jointly.

He told reporters afterwards: "I hearly wrecked our chances. We each make 10 selections and do four full perms of any eight from 10. We use the same system each week, and for my selections I use numbers based on miniversary dates. As I've just had my birthday, I thought of changing the humbers but decided against it at the last moment—thank goodness, because It was my line which hit the jackpot. By such weighty considerations are

ast moment—thank goodness, because it was my line which hit the jackpot. By such weighty considerations are fortunes won and lost.

It should perhaps be explained that every match on the pools coupon is immbered. It is therefore possible to select one's matches by choosing the numbers which take one's fancy, without even looking at which two teams are engaged in the combat thus numbered. In the Treble Chance, one is not required to forecast—only to select; shough selections which prove to be accoredraws count for most points.

Birth dates of self and relatives, astrological predictions—every kind of arbitrary list may provide the numbers for those who prefer to entrust their for those who prefer to entrust their sort to the capricious favours of Dame Fortune. On the other hand, there is ample evidence that most punters do not adopt these methods. In 1974, Littlewoods undertook an experimental examination of a sample batch for Treble Chance entries. They found that 23.1 per cent of those punters whose entries were scrutinized had repeated the same coupon numbers as the week hefore whereas 76.9 per cent repeated the same coupon numbers as the week before, whereas 76.9 per cent having changed their entry—must have exercised some sort of choice.

If these punters had made their selections either by personal whim or

merely at random (52 cards in a pack is a number which many punters find conveniently similar to 55 matches on the coupon), one would have expected that in this sizable batch every match had been used equally, that is to say about 1451 times in every 1,000 attempts submitted. This figure is arrived at by multiplying 1,000 by the number of selections to be made in each attempt (8) and dividing by the number of matches on the coupon (55). But in the batch examined, six matches had been selected 200 times or more in every 1,000 and a further five 190 every 1,000 and a further five 190 times or more. Evidently, some sort of reasoning had led so many punters to concur in their choice. That reasoning.

reasoning had led so many punters to concur in their choice. That reasoning it is suggested, can only have been founded on a study of form.

A team's position in the league table is a rough guide to their ability, but the season is long and arduous and fortunes may be transformed in its course. This season has already offered several good examples, the most notable being Brighton whose position is sixth from the bottom of the first division is no reflection of their present ability, since they have gained 15 points from their last 10 league games, defeating Nottingham Forest in the process and overwhelming Crystal Palace and Manchester City.

Their lowly position is due to their bad start, for up to November 10 they had gathered only seven points from 14 games. Crystal Palace, by contrast, began well and then faded; whereas Southampton, with 11 points from six games, moved up 12 places until their run was stopped by Arsenal on New Year's Day. Therefore, a better guide to form than the league tables are tables showing the six most recent results, and many publications obligingly provide these for the punter.

Transfers and injuries are other matters which the student of form must consider (Brighton's remarkable metamorphosis dates from the return to midfield after a 10-week absence through injury of Mark Lawrenson) and

to midfield after a 10-week absence through injury of Mark Lawrenson) and one must also keep an eye on sequences. No team, not even Liverpool, are so good that they always win but some teams are so good that they rarely lose. Therefore, there has to be the time when Liverpool interrupt their winning sequence with a draw, and that time came last Saturday at home to Southampton.

Now that the FA Cup has reached

the fourth round, it is another factor to be taken into account. A team with their mind on an important imminent

their mind on an important imminent cup fixture may well settle for an ambling draw in the League, preferring not to risk bruising tackles or the muscle-wrenching hazards of all-out competitiveness.

Superimposed on all these considerations is the paramount one of ground advantage. Students of form have found that one of the most reliable indicators of a draw is the circumstance in which a lesser team at home have ground advantage over a superior one.

one.

The press cater well for those who would follow form but have not the time to derote to it a galaxy of expert writers offering the fruits of their studies weekly.

How successful are

thes?

The Sporting Lije, in conjunction with Littlewoods, run a competition with a \$500 prize and a trophy each domestic football season to ascertain the top forecaster of draws employed by a national newspaper or periodical. The calculation used to be simple: if, over the entire season, a instact had forests. the entire season, a ripster had forecast 350 matches to end as draws and 130 of these forecasts had proved correct, his proportion of correct draw forecasts would be 37.14 per cent. But since the distinction in points value between a score-draw and a goalless draw was introduced, the calculation has become a little more complicated. As the tipster merely forecasts draws without venturing to suggest which of them will be score-draws, his performance must be measured as a percentage of the maximum points he might have scored.

The Sporting Life were delignted when their own tipster. Derrick Shaw, topped their table at the end of the 1978-79 season. He had correctly forecast 130 draws, but 40 of these were goalless

so that the points value of his draws was  $(90 \times 3) + (40 \times 2) = 350$ . If all the 348 matches he had forecast as draws had proved to be score-draws, they would have been worth 1,044 points. Therefore, his proportionate success was 33.52 per cent, beating by .01 per cent his nearest rival, Ivor Bailey of The Racehorse Winner.

Sports Council

plan to keep

**British mission** 

itinerary secret

The rules of the Treble Chance of all Pool Promoters Association members "From and including the first Saturday in November to the last Saturday in April, if 18 or more matches listed for the Treble Chance are not started on the Saturday a panel of experts will decide what would have been the results of those matches had they been played on the Saturday." The 1978-79 season was particularly The 1978-79 season was particularly affected by adverse weather, and the panel sat on eight occasions, but for the purposes of The Sporting Life draws competition only matches which are actually played count. There were 1,564 matches which counted and, of these, 321 ended in score-draws; 142 were goalless. If a forecaster had tipped every match to be a draw, his success would have been 26.58 per cent. That is the score to be expected of random selections.

Mr Shaw's achievement, therefore, represented an improvement of 3352 on 2658, which is 26.1 per cent; and all 24 experts participating in the competition obtained scores better than the random expectation. That is impressive testimony to the effectiveness of the study of form, and the Royal Commission on Gambling in their report conceded: "It is clear that the results of matches are not random and it must be possible to use the knowledge of the likely outcome to increase the average number of points obtained for a line".

Whether, however, the improvement resulting from a study of form is so great as to influence one's chance of reward is debatable. The Royal Com-nission offered no reason for their barsh conclusion: "Even for someone who makes the best use of his informa-tion, any effect is slight".

#### Latest European snow reports

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Snow falling on hard base.
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Excellent skiing on piste.
Sr Anton 100 240 St Anton All runs open. Varied Good Fair All runs open.

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Good sking, poor visibility.

In the above reports, supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great Britain, L refers to lower slopes and U to upper slopes. The following reports have been received from other sources: Oberstdorf 60 130 Good — Oberstdorf 60 130 Good — 100 100 Good — 70 70 Good — 90 85 Good — 90 85 Good Fine 70 100 Good Fine 30 70 Yar'd Fine 96 95 Good — For the record

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Skiing

Downhill victory is surprise to Miss Nadig

Arosa, Switzerland, Jan 15.—
Marie-Thérès Nadig, of Switzerland, confirmed her domination of the World Cup downhill championship by winning the season's sixth event here today and with it the 1980 fille.

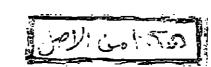
At the half-way stage she was timed at nearly 1.5 seconds behind Annemarie Moser, of Austria, the only girl to have besten her in the downhill this winter, but the Swiss skier finished 0.11 seconds ahead with a display of superb technique and aggression.

Miss Nadig was surprised at her victory. "I didn't expect to win today", she said. "During training I did not have the chance for a good practice run. I wasn't too confident, but because of the very good season I have had until now I was able to ski easily and this helped me to win."

A disappointed Mrs Moser said she had skied well but was handicapped by the racing suits used for the Austrian women's team. "I really think we no longer have the best", she said. "The men have a different kind but we lose too much time in the easiest section of the race because of the

too much time in the easiest sec-tion of the race because of the racing suits we use.

The coorse was 2,922 metres, descending 610 metres, and all but two of the 53 competitors com-pleted it.



Racing

## Impressive Badsworth Boy follows Arkle' trail

Badsworth Boy and Visconti completed a short-priced double for Tony Dickinson, the trainer and his jockey, Temmy Carmody, at Wetherby yesterday. Visconti, despite making an impressive first appearance in the first division of the Realaugh Novices Hurdle, will probably miss the Triumph Hurdle at the Cheltenham Festival meeting, but Badsworth Boy may represent his stable in the Arkle Challenge Trophy.

Carmody decided to make the running on Visconti. The winner, who scored three times on the flat in Ireland for Con Collins, is now owned by Mrs Ann Bailey from Ripon. Michael Dickinson, the trainer's son, said: "I discount Visconti as a Triumph Hurdle hope. He is a tearaway and I don't think that he would show much Coming off the bridle."

show much coming off the bridle."

Baisworth Boy cruised home by seven lengths from Cape Felix in the Collingham Novices Steeple-chase. His task was made easier by the withdrawal of Little Owl, who was left in in error. Cape Felix set off in from and soon had a long lead, but lost his advantage four fences out where Badsworth Boy shot to the front while Big Ginger fell.

Christopher Fairhurst, the cider of Big Glager, is having an unlacky run. He returned to race riding on Saturday at Newcastle after injury and received a broken collar-bone and broken hand in this latest fall.

Touchdown for victory: Mark Henry winning the Wike Steep Completed a double with Young of his own and I decided to go hunding with him to settle hem down—It seems to have done the provided Brown with his 13th winner of the season, made all to all the cap Hurdle by two lengths from Jean Marjorie.

Ted Carter, the trainer, said:

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two fences out, but Selby, well ridden by Brown, went on to win by two lengths and a half.

Mark Henry, owned and bred by Lord Allendale, is proving a versatile performer with wins on the flat, over hurdles and fences. He scored his latest victory gamely by a head over Blue Chrome in the Wike Handicap Steenlechase.

## Five of the best to give food for thought

Although the Cheltenham Festi-

val meeting is still some two months away, one can be forgiven. in these dark, uninspiring winter in these dark, uninspiring winter days, for daydreaming more than fleetingly of the unparalleled three days' racing that await us there. And something to sustain that reverse appeared yesterday in the shape of the entries for the f15,000 Eriz Foods Hurdle to be run at Leopardstown on February 23

If just a handful of the biggest names among the 52 entries stood their ground we would have, if not a dress rebearsal, at least a working clothes version of the Champion Hurdle. The first five in the betting for the hurdling championship have been nominated—Sea Pigeon, runner-up in the last two Champions; Monksfield, who took the crown for the last two took the crown for the last two years and who is now reported to

be showing some of his old brilliance in home gallops; Pollardstown and Celtic Ryde, win-Pollardstown and Centic Ryoe, with-ner and runner-up in last year's. Daily Express Triumph Hurdle and Condaught Ranger, who won the Eriu Foods race last season, the race because he is to be given Pollardstown will probably miss an easy run up to Cheltenhan, but a spokesman for Fred Rimell's stable said vesterday that Conbut a spokesman for Fred Rimell's stable said yesterday that Connaught Ranger would almost certainly try for the double. Adding even more spice to the Erin dish are the top-class Irish burdlers, Chiurellah, Twinburn and Master Monday and Eddle O'Grady's outstanding novices, Torenaga (the current favourite for the Triumph Hurdle) and Orient Sunset. Thinking ahead in days rather than months, if the frost relaxes its grip at Haydock Park there is the prospect of an exciting race for Saturday's Wills Premier Steeplechase Final, for which the

four day declarations were issued yesterday. Fourteen stood their ground and the bookmakers were virtually unanimous in making Drusus favourite at 5 to 2 with Dramatist next on 4 to 1.

Fred Rimell's front-running six-year-old just about deserves his place at the head of the market. He has won three of his four races in the style of a smart young steeplechaser. However, his limitations were exposed by Kybo at Ascot and he did make mistakes in his latest victory at Sandown Park, indicating that the stiff Haydock fences could catch him out. Dramatist has disappointed this season, but had the ground to this liking for the first time when he won easily at Kempton Park in his most recent race. If it is soft at Haydock he will take quite a lot of heating.

The Irish, who have plundered this nrize several times, are

2.15 SWINTON CHASE (Handicap: £816:3m)

a chancy jumper but a convincing winner of his qualifier at Cheltenham, Daletta and Just Able. However, those looking for a little ante-post dabble at long odds, could consider Narribinal, on offer at 12 to 1 with Corals and the Tote. Narribinal ran a fine race when second to Diamond Edge at Wincanton last week, with Chumson a well beaten third.

Descending to earth with quite a bump, Kelso is the one remaining meeting in England today, the Plumpton programme baying been yet another victim of frost. The best bets at the Scottish course may be in the two divisions of the novices hurdle—Kasmoun (division one), a convincing winner over this course recently, and the Ayr winner, Marnik (division two).

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## Kelso programme



1.45 GRANTSHOUSE HURDLE (Handicap: £725: 2m)

Scottish fireworks could

finish like a damp squib

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Disc Jockey, Denvs Smith, 6-11-5 A. Dickm.
East Riding, G. Renlison, 7-11-5 P. Mang.
Grayhease Angus, R. Alian, 7-11-5 B. Hobblan
Majestic Tudor, D. Moorhead, 6-11-5 M. Low
Dwirtook, W. A. Striphenson, 6-11-5 L. Low
Arlson, R. Alian, 5-11-1 D. Graddin
Say Aglew, R. Davison 5-11-1 M. Stephens
Blue Reef, W. A. Stephenson, 5-11-1 R. Colly
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Kelso selections

By Our Racing Staff 12.45 Kasmoun. 1.15 Border Brig. 1.45 Park Row. 2.15 Solo Sam. 2.45 Polars Smartie. 3.15 Martik.

#### Wetherby results

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Boxing Correspondent

The first fireworks of the ABA entenary celebrations will go off at the Cunard Hotel, Hammerwhere for the first time in public in 20 years England will

meet Scotland in the metropolis.

thanks to George Wimpey (the

contractors whose cranes are

seen squaring up to each other on building sites) who are giving £75,000 for the centenary and a

further £10,000 for the Olympic

Although the big bang really

comes in October, when Americans, Russians and Cubans are expected to take part in a multi-

national fourtrament over several days at Wembley, this being Olympic year, sparks will really fly in the Queen Mary suite tonight. For the two countries have travelled far to widen ex-

perience and gained more medals than in some past years. There will be more than the usual quota

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The England coach, Kevin
Hickey, has built up a powerful
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well-conceived young England
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at Yokohama, where Marvis
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say is going to be better than his served England well.

Boxing

The Scots have even called in the United States Navy. Larry Malkory, a light middle, comes from the Polaris base.

But the Scots will be hard put to take more than four bouts from the English. They will be relying on McDermott, at light flyweight, Flynn, fly, Ian McLeod, feather, McCallum, welter, and a heavyweight, Jim Burns, who will be facing a late replacement for Herdman of England — Tony Harris. If the experienced McDermott, who has had a trip

Herdman of England — Tony Harris. If the experienced McDermott, who has had a trip to the United States and Canada and won a bronze medal in Finland, and the clever Flyan can start the Scots off on the right foot by beating Dawson and Wallace respectively, it will be a great boost for Ian McLeod, who will be boxing in virtually the first Olympic trial against Hanlon, who beat the Scot on a majority verdict in the ABA final. If he does not commit the same infringements that cost him that bout McCallum, who has put the world class George Gilbody on the floor, has the experience to beat Honeyghan, Steve McLeod beat Honeyghan beat

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Bulgarian in Yokohama, could

who lost a majority decision to a

15p. Dual F: 66p. CSP: 57p. A. Dickleson at Harewood, 51, 71. 

Table tennis

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#### European No 1 seeded third in Welsh event

Although Jill Hammersley is the holder and European No 1, she has failed to gain one of the top two seeding, places in the women's singles in the Weish Open table tennis championships, sponsored by Stiga in Cardiff from February 7 to 9. Mrs Hammersley, aged 28, from Dorking, who intends to retire at the end of this season, has been seeded third behind Zhang Deying, of China, and Gabriella Szabo, of Hungary, Roy Evans, of Wales, the presi-Roy Evans, of Wales, the president of the international federa dent of the international redera-tion and organiser of the tourna-ment, explained: "With an entry from China, the seedings are based on world rankings—and not Euro-pean. Akthough Jill is ahead of Szabo in the European list, she is behind her in the world rankings."

rankings. Mrs Hammersley will be attempting to win for the fourth time, buting to win for the fourth time, buting to win for the seasy as it was for her last week when she took the English Open title at Brighton. The Welsh event has attracted the strongest entry for an open tournament this season, with most of the leading Europeans competing as well as a formidable Chinese party. No fewer than 33 teams contest the men's team event.

Desmond Douglas, of Birmingham, who won the men's title at Brighton, is one of the eight seeded players in the men's singles. He is likely to have a tough quarter-final match against Li Zhenshi (China), the world No 4, in a field led by Europe's top man, Tibor Klampar (Hungary). The seeds, in draw order, are:

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#### Hockey

### Ireland accept invitation to compete at Lords

By Sydney Friskin
Ireland have accepted the
Invitation to play in the international bockey festival at Lord's
on March 22. Their match against
England at 2.0 will be followed
by the county championship final.
The scene will shift to Crystal
Palace on the following day when
Ireland will play another match
against England, a visit which will
be reciprocated when England
play in Dublin in September or
October.
The England junior team
(under-21) will not play in the

(under-21) will not play in the Folkestone Festival this year but April 3 to 7: West Germany, the Netherlands and Spain will also play in this tournament.

A new hockey year, as announced at a press conference in London yesterday, will begin on March 21 at 11:30 when the new council will meet for the first time to discuss long-range planning, which will include colts hockey, and elect the members of

unual general meerin An England team,

#### Snooker

## **Promoter hopes for less** eventful evening

The snocker promoter, Mike Watterson, who is responsible for the world championship, World Cup and United Kingdom chamcup and characteristics that the second evening of the inter-national tournament at the Gala Baths, West Bromwich, would be less eventful than the first. Only one of the two scheduled matches could be played because the former world champion, Fred

Davis, was snow-bound at his farm in Stourport and the Irish champion, Alex Higgins, took six hours and a half to make the journey by road from Manchester.
Davis and Higgins will now play tonight at 7.0 for the right to meet Willie Thorne (Leicester) in the semi-final round later in the evening. Thorne beat Graham Miles (Birmingham) 3—1

## For the first time Australians are willing England to win

From John Woodcock Cricket Correspondent Adelaide, Jan 15

England will be represented here tomorrow against West Indies in the World Series one-day triangular competition, by the team that beat Australia in Sydney last night, except that Boycott will replace Randall so long as he feels that his hand, damested while betting in the

Randall so long as he feels that his hand, damaged while batting in the last. Test match, will stand up to it. Emburer, Stevenson and Lever, all of whom did so staunchly yesterday, are given another chance, "because they deserve it.", the tour manager, Alec Bedser said, rather than because Underwood, Dilley and Willis have been dropped.

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been dropped.

Boycott also got into trouble in a bunker playing at the Royal Sydney Golf Club. Having splashed his ball out—he was playing with Bedser. Ken Barrington and Roomie Corbett—he succeeded in ricking his neck and dislocating a finger when getting himself out. Boycott hits an iron off the tee quite a long way: he told me once how much he would have liked to be a professional golfer: "I could have practised for hours on my own at golf," he said, "and you can't do that at cricket."

As can never have happened be-

can't do that at cricket."

As can never have happened before in Australia. most Australians
are wanting England to win tomorrow. Only then can Australia still
reach the final of the one-day
competition. "C'mon England,
c'mon" is the headline in this
evening's Adelaide News. Delighted by their fourth successive
one-day victory over Australia,
England could win, too. Though
West Indies must be clear favourlies. Although Richards has yet to
score a run this year—in his only
imnings since December 30 he was
run out in Perth without receiving
a hell—he and the rest of the West
Indian batsmen should find conditions to their liking.

With the match starting at 10.0 in the morning—there are no lights at Adelaide—whoever wins the toss may choose to field in the hope of their bowlers finding some carly life in the pitch. Except possibly for the first hour or so, it should be a basman's day. England, all the same, are in the mood to do well; they had the last laugh in Sydney last night and they will have thought a lot about tomorrow's match. Austraabout tomorrow's match. Austra-lia give the impression of not thinking about their one-day matches at all—not deeply,

answay.
Yesterday, while Australia's bowling was done exclusively at medium pace or above. England got 10 overs of off-breaks out of Emburey and 10 more out of Willey. Australia seem to have the others of the listened all idea of beatling. Wiley. Australia seem to have abandoned all idea of bowling a spinner in their one-day games. They have played three in a row now without doing so, and there is no one below medium pare in their side, aunounced today, to play West Indies in Sydney on Priday in the last of these one-day qualifying games. Thomson and Border have been dropped and Yallon and Walker brought and Yallop and Walker brought In his seven matches against

In his seven matches against the England and West Indian sides this winner—one for Queen-land and six, either of one-day or five-day, for Australia—Thomson's figures are 10 wickets for 456 runs in 121.5 overs. He has been in and out of the Australia side, fitter sometimes than at others but seldom anything like as last as he was against England in Australia in 1974-75, or against West Indies out here a year later. From what I can remember, he has bowled only a year later. From what I can remember, he has bowled only one ball, against West Indies in Brisbane in early December, that has really exploded, as many used to do when he was at his

best. So excited were the Australians by seeing this, thinking of it as the first of many, that Bill Lawry came to say how much he hoped Boycott had been watch

ing.

If Thomson's bowling has been a sad disappointment for the Australians, so has Botham's bat-ting for England. Botham has had ring for England. Botham has had 17 innings of different sorts—four in Tests, six in one-day games and five others—for a total of 213 runs at an average of 14. Since making 76 against Combined Universities at Adelaide on Novvember 24 he has only twice topped 20. As England's best allrounder, batting at No 6 and 7 and with four Test hundreds to his name, that is not good enough. In almost all his innings he has got himself out, often through impatience.

The sight of lan Chappell, now The sight of Ian Chappell, now back in the Australian side, is like a red rag to a buil to Botham, which is no help. It could even have gone through the minds of the selectors, and Botham is one of them, to leave him out of tomorrow's side, simply to give him a break. But every side he plays for is the better and the more interesting for having him in it, and any day now, I am sure, his bet will be ringing again like the beds of heaven.

his bet will be ringing again like the bells of heaven.

ENGLAND (from): G. Rovcott, O. Gooth, P. Willey, W. Lartins, D. Gooth, P. Willey, W. Lartins, D. Baltistow, J. Emburey, G. Stetenson, J. Lever, D. Randall.

Fit again: West Indies will be at full strength Reuter reports. Vivian Richards, Alvin Kallicharran and Collis King, who all missed yesterday's victory over Australian Capital Territory because they were nursing injuries, are included in the 12.

WEST INDIES (from): G. Greenidge, D. Haynes, V. Richards, A. Kallicharran, L. Rowe, C. Lloyd, D. L. Muray, A. Roberts, J. Garner, C. Grott, M. Hodding, G. King.

## Pakistan pin hopes on Imran Khan Madras, Jan 15.—Pakistan India made their first change in the series by including Sandeep feet batting pitch and were 254 for seven at close of play on the first day of the fifth Test match against ladia here today. India who lead 1-0 in the six-The Pakistan captain, Asif lobal

Madras, Jan 13.—Pakistan Lailed to make the most of a perfect batting pitch and were 234 for seven at close of play on the first day of the fifth Test match against India here today.

India, who lead 1-0 in the sixmatch series, prevented Pakistan from exploiting the conditions through the fine performances of their medium fast bowler Kapil their medium fast bowler Kapil Dev and Syed Kirmani, the

Dev and Syed Kirmani, the wicketkeeper.

Dev overcame an erratic opening spell to fluish with four for 90; Kirmani held four catches and ran out Majid Khan.

Majid was Pakistan's top scorer with 56 and led a recovery after they had lost the first three wickets for 80. He put on 71 for the fourth wicker with Javed Miandad, who scored 45.

Pakistan, who need to win this Pakistan, who need to win this Test to have a chance of victory in the series, now depend on their all-rounder Imran Khan, who is

Basketball

for British

Clark selected

Olympic team

Martin Clark, aged 17, a former Crystal Palace player, has been selected for Great Britain's Olympic party of 16, who will have training in the United States

The party, announced yesterday, includes 11 players from the three leading teams in the English league—five from Crystal Palace, including Clark, then form 7 Johann

Fiat, Coventry. Clark, who is at high school in

clark, who is at high school in the United States has just been admitted to the top American basketball university—Duke, at Raleigh, North Carolina.

Other members of the party will join him in that state when their American coach, Norman Sloan, takes them to his former

Switzerland on May 5, against Finland, Hungary, Spain and Poland.
Britain must win the tournament
to qualify for Moscow.

Willie Cameron, Bill McInnes
and Bob Mitchell, of Scotland,
and Bill Banks, of England, all
former international players, are
not available. But David Lloyd, of
Sunblest Sunderland, David Berry,
of Leeds and the Scottish International Tames Carmichael, are also

made 34 before Kirmani took his fourth catch at the wicket. Wasim Raja fell to the left arm spinner, Dillp Doshi, for 15. Although he took only one wicket, Doshi's accurate spell—he conceded only 41 runs in 23 overs—helped to restrict the scoring rate. last week. After losing the toss, India were hommered by Sadiq Mohammad, who took advantage of Dev's

man, who took advantage of Dev's early erratic bowling and hit 10 fours in 46. Dev struck back before funch by dismissing Mudassar Nazar, Sadiq and Zaheer Abbas, who continued a sequence of low scores on the tour by being caught at the wicket for nought, Paristant were from 80 for three Paristan were then 80 for three.
After lunch Majid and Miandad
Improved Pakistan's position and took the total to 151 before Majid, after making his best score of the series, was run out when attempting a quick single to which Misudad refused to respond. Miandad batted elegantly for 45 until, trying to square cut, he caught by Vengsarkar.

eighth-wicket stand of 29.

PARISTAN: First innings
Middaserr' Nezar, c Kirmani, b
Kapil Dev
Sadiq Mohammad, c Kirmani, b
Kapil Dev
Majid Khan, run out
Zaheer Abbas, c Kirmani, b Kapil
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Wasim Rais, c Kapil Dev, b Doshi
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Imran Khan, not out
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restrict the storing rate.
Imran and the wicketkeeper
Wasin Bari, shared an unbroken
eighth-wicket stand of 29.

## Rugby League

## A generous response to a special road show

Early this season Terry Hart, who played for an amateur Rugby League club in the Halifax area, collapsed and died during a game. He left a widow who suffers from multiple sclerosis and three children.

warmth and generosity that lie beneath so much professional cynicism will be demonstrated totight at the civic theatre in Halifax when an audience of more than 1.000 is expected for a film show, quiz panel and parade of celebrities. The event has been organized by

the publicity officer of the Rugby League, David Howes, with the assistance of Halifax officials of Association.

Among the guests will be players from Leeds United and Halifax Town football clubs, Halifax speedway team, in addition to players from surrounding amateur and

professional Rugby League clubs.
Road shows of this kind are
usually held for the testimonials
of professional players, but Mr
Howes said: "We simply had to
do this special one. Everyone
wants to do something for Mrs
Hart and the children, and the

prop forward, on the transfer list at £5,000. Townend, aged 23, joined Wigan three months ago from Featherstone Rovers but has He has had difficulties travelling

He has had difficulties travening from his Yorkshire home for training, and there are also work problems. Wigan have also put Michael Remox, a loose forward, on the list at £5,000. Remox made several senior appearances last season but has been unable to command a first team place

#### Golf £150,000 to move province out of limbo

By John Hennessy There have been some strange developments in sports sponsor-ship in recent years, but few as strange as that which has brought strange as that which has brought bounty in abundance to this year's European Open golf championship. The fairy godmother who has undertaken to wave her wand over Walton Heath in September is Limburg, a province of The Netherlands so little known elsewhere as to suggest to the unditated that limbo might have been a hetter name. unmitated that itmbo might have been a better name.

It is hard to think of a more unlikely sponsor of golf, apart from a dubious claim to the game having been invented in the Netherlands. The country has only 22 courses to serve 14 million people, compared with Scotland's 440 to serve five million. Limburg, furthermore, has no course at all, discounting the exclusively pri-

discounting nine exclusively pri-vate holes at Wittem. There must, therefore, be some There must, therefore, be some other connexion, and it is, of course, a financial one. Work on an 18-hole course is about to begin in Limburg, but that is irrelevant to the present development. The province needs to attract people with money for industry and it has been decided to act on "the enormous pulling power of golf".

Frederick Hogarth, speaking for Limburg at a press conference in London, said yesterday [as a probationary member of the fraternity of golf reporters, perhaps I may give the statement in full without fear of misunderstanding]: "To make Limburg world-famous in a short time we could choose no better vehicle than the game of golf, no better medium than television and no better writers on a given subject than those who cover the game."

game."
This new sponsorship is a joint venture of the provincial government of Limburg and the DSM Petrochemicals company, who between them are putting up £150,000, The prize money of last year's European Open amounted to £105,000, but it is certain to be higher this year. higher this year.
The decision to make this in

restment was taken by the governor of Limburg on the recommendation of Mr Hogarth, a Scot now employed as external financial consultant. Mr Hogarth, in turn was acting on the recom-mendation of Neil Coles and Ken Schofield, secretary of the European Tournament Players' Division of the Professional Goffers' Association. The contract is for one year, but there are hopes that it will continue into the

#### Stadler wins first title as professional

Palm Springs, California, Jan 15.—Craig Stadler put together a five-under-par 67 yesterday for a two-stroke victory in the 90-hole, Bob Hope Desert Classic, which began the Professional Golfers' Association tour for 1980.

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Stadler, aged 26, a former United Stadler, aged 26, a former United states Amateur champion, acquired the first official title, worth £22,000, of his four-year tour career. He had a 343 total, 17 under par for the tournament that started six days ago and was thrown 24 hours behind schedule by heavy rains last week.

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## Where there is no saving in being mean

Julie Stockton is 11. She is severely disabled and lives at home with her parents in the metropolitan borough of Trafford. She cannot walk and was always carried upstairs to bed by her father. But last year, after two kidney operations, her father could no longer carry his daughter. Anytous above all to save built from ter. Anxious above all to save Julie from having to go into care, her parents then asked the local authority for help in

Mr and Mrs Stockton sought help under the Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons Act to adapt their home so that Julie could sleep downstairs. They applied to the Borough of Trafford on June 26 and were turned down on October 2. The reason they were given was that no more home adaptations were being approved by the authority because no more money was available.

Julie's parents put their problem not only to the local authority but also to the Family Fund which with financial support from the government, exists to help handicapped children in special need. The substance of the reply was that, since her local authority had power and indeed a duty to provide help appropriate to Julie's needs, the fund was not able to assist.

It was to try to break this impasse that Julie's parents wrote to me at the end of October. By that time, on top of their problems of illness and disability, their problems or niness and manning, the family had suffered unrelieved anxiety for several months. Yet it was the issue of principle they raised with me. They were concerned not only about their own case but with the interests of disabled children generally in their area, since what the council appeared to be saying was that it had unilsteelly appeared to be saying was that it had unilaterally suspended the operation of the law.

By ruling that no disabled person's home would now be adapted, notwith-standing how urgent or vital his or her need might be, the council had made it pointless even to begin to assess individual need. So I raised the issue of principle with the Minister for the Disabled on

Exactly two months later, he replied:

"...I am pleased to let you know that following an anonymous donation of £3,000 to Julie's mother, the Stocktons

are to have their house adapted. I understand that the necessary work is due to start very shortly and I do hope this will make it easier for the family to look after Julie."

This is a breathakingly bland reply. It is also one that organizations of end for disabled people will find deeply worrying. The minister not only entirely ignores the issues of principle and legal duty, but seems openly to welcome the transfer of public responsibilities to private charity. Nor is there the merest hint of what action the Communicational real take in cases of more charity. the Government will take in cases of un-doubted but unmet need where no private donor is available to help.

Any real inquiry by the minister must have shown that such cases are not rare. Julie's mother told me, long before I received the Minister's reply, of the charitable act which solves her family's immediate problem. Warmly ecknowledging the limitage of the dance the warmly extraor of the dance of the dance of the services of the ser kindness of the donor, she went on to say: "... But we have not won because there are more people in Trafford with there are more people in Trafford with
the same problem. A family with a 14year-old boy is waiting for a stair lift.
His father has been all and out of work
for nearly a year and is not allowed to
carry ham, so his mother has to do it.
I sincerely hope that something can be
done for all these families and trust
you can help in carrying on your work."
If the minister is "pleased" that Julie's
home is to be adapted, he ought in logic
to be displeased that the family of the 14year-old boy mencioned by Mrs Stockton

year-old boy mentioned by Mrs Stockton still face an indefinite period of waiting. And if the minister hopes that Julie's luck will now make it easier for her parents to look after her at home, is he not con-cerned that other disabled children may soon find themselves in hospital or some other form of residential care?

In a recent "Call for Compassion" the National Society for Mentally Handicapped Children said that, if they only knew the distress they were causing among severely disabled children, those who are inflicting spending cuts on them would think again. But there is a case for thinking again on economic as well as compassionate

For there is ultimately no saving in being mean to severely disabled children.

Either we help them to live at home with their families, or they have to be hospitalized at far greater cost to public funds. It now costs many thousands of funds. It now costs many thousands of pounds a year to keep a child in hospital, whereas it usually costs much less to provide the help that can guarantee an independent life in the community. The Government's policy of slashing the personal social services is, therefore, foolhardy as

Ministers may try to claim that there are enough charitable fingers to fill every hole they are making in the dyke of community care. But who in the Government mining care. But who in the Government has consulted the charities themselves? The complaint their leaders make, as Sir Geoffirey Howe will confirm, is that the Government is not only making life harder for the disabled but also for the charities that help them. For Sir Geoffirey readily concedes that his budger has hit charities by reducing their income from covenants.

In a parliamentary reply, the Prime In a parliamentary reply, the Prime Minister has criticised cuts in "sensitive" minister has criticised cuts in "sensitive areas of public spending. My question to her was about the threatened official vandalism of closing the Child Assessment Centre at Charing Cross Hospital. Her use of the word "sensitive" was thus clearly intended to cover provision for severely disabled children.

disabled children.

This being so, Mrs Thatcher should now confront the reality of the message from Julie Stockton's nother about the plight of other severly disabled children in her locality. She might also reflect on the charge made recently by the Royal Association for Disability and Rehabilitation that: "Ministers continually repeat their concern for severely disabled people, but their actions are condemning them to increasing isolation and dependence."

That is a grave charge to come from so important a body as the Royal Association and, if she is as good as her word, the Prime Minister must now make it plant to

Prime Minister must now make it plain to all her ministers that she will no longer tolerate mean and demeaning economies at the expense of severely disabled

Alfred Morris

The author is MP for Manchester, Wythen-shawe, and from 1974-79 was Minister for the Disabled.

## **Should the first** wife have preference?

Maggie Drummond's article (December Maggie Drummond's article (December 19, 1979) on the position of second wives predictably brought a big response from readers. There were those, mostly exhusbands and second wives, who supported her views wholeheartedly; those who agreed with her on the whole, but felt that she had overstated the case; and those not supprisingly mostly first wires. those, not surprisingly mostly first wives, who felt no sympathy for the plight in which their successors can find them-

Second wives tended not to object to their husbands' support of first wives, nor even to an increasing contribution over the years. What they objected to vehemently was their own earning and capital being included as part of their husband's income when maintenance to a previous wife was assessed. "I have heen appropring my delibera for years" been supporting my children for years."
wrote one, "now her's take preference
over mine." Not one first wife considered maintained that she had an entitlement to the second wife's money as a right, as well as her ex-husband's.

One couple hit on an ingenious solution: for obvious reasons they must remain' anonymous. "We are legally separated, but not." In such a case the first wife would no longer have any claim on the assets or income of the second wife.

Perhans it is worthwhile setting out

Perhaps it is worthwhile setting out again what the courts try to do when a marriage breaks down. The law states that the parties to the marriage should be able as far as possible to maintain the financial position they had before the marriage breakdown. The broad formula which the courts follow is to give the wife up to half of the capital of the marriage, one third of the joint earnings plus something for the children. A fifth is often given as the proportion which goes to the children, but this is a very broad guide indeed.

Where a husband agrees to an ex-wife getting all the capital of the marriage, as sometimes happens where the only asset is the family home, maintenance will usually be reduced below one third. If she refuses to work, and the court decides that there is no reason why she should not do so, the court may assess her as having a notional income and cut her

maintenance accordingly.

In all cases, except where a wife may be independently very rich the first wife and her children take preference over a second wife and any children of the second marriage.

Mr R. D. J. Horne perhaps summed up the view of many ex-husbands and their second wives when he wrote:
"It is significant that a woman, marrying

a previously divorced man is referred to by the degrading description 'second wife'. This underlines the attitude (given expression by the Matrimonial Causes Act 1973) that on first marrying a man undertakes to idemnify his wife against funre misfortunes, or loss of earnings, over which he has no control, and, against the consequences of a divorce, for which she is as much to blame as he is. If he remarries, his new wife can become an added resource from which the ex-wife's subjectively assessed needs, are to be met Only if the ex-wife remarries, and so, according to the same attitude, becomes another man's property, does the finan-cial relationship between two ex-spouses

registrar, should be bound by law to spell out exactly what lies in store for the would-be second wife.

\*The second-time-around marriage bond, especially when the bridegroom was the plaintiff in a divorce case, is nothing more than a Charter for Parasites. It gives total freedom to the first wife to bleed her ex-husband emotionally and financially

cially.

"It's about time the true meaning of women's liberation permeated these ranks. Women who whimper for equality should learn it has to be earned by rolling up shirtsleves along with the men and

Mr W. H. Harper, author of Divorce and Your Money, published by George Allen & Unwin, carried this view further

husbands even to former wives who had husbands even to former wives who had become pregnant by another man. In the case of Wagner v Wagner when the exwife had to give up work because of her pregnancy "the Court of Appeal ordered the ex-husband to pay her more maintenance (though, interestingly, the money merely went to offset part of the Social Security she was receiving)".

Mr Harper was also concerned about children. "The courts always assert that the interests of the children are paramount. But which children? Certainly not the children of second marriages.... It is to the shame of our law, not its glory, that it discriminates in favour of one group of children against another group and imposes on the latter the distasteful

status of second class children."
The question the role the State could play in these situations through social security payments, hinted at in Mr Harper's letter, recurred in other letters. Maintenance orders are often less than supplementary benefits and Maggie Drummond tells us that £200m is paid out to ex-wives in supplementary benefits each year and only £20m is recovered from ex-husbands. The rub is that it costs £75m to collect the £20m.

Many people recognize the problem of making one wage stretch over two families, Mr John Dewar saw the conflict as that between "a husband and his new wife, on the one hand, and a first wife on the other, may ultimately be determined only as a matter of policy . . .

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"The conflict illustrated by Ms Drummond's article is that between the principle of equality in marriage, and the right of the individuals to abandon a dead marriage, and seek personal satisfaction in another relationship, which underlies the divorce reforms of 1969. It is indeed paradoxical to grant the individual this right and then effectively to remove it by imposing considerable financial responsibilities on an ex-spouse—but to espouse Ms Drummonds case whole heartedly would be to deny women that equality in the home that they have only recently achieved, since it would result in a decreased allocation to the first wife.

wife...
"Reform must not be at the expense "Retorm must not be at the expense of a wife's right to participate on an equal basis with her husband in the property that they have acquired by their joint efforts during marriage. . The married women has not achieved equality in the workplace; she should not be denied equality in the home."

Such conflicts, Maggie Drummond contended, led to the breakdown of second marriages. Mr A. E. Edwards took a different view: "It is not necessarily fall

different view: "It is not necessarily fall out from the first marriage which causes the second marriage to founder...

"Maggie Drummond also suggests that a divorced man takes on an everlasting commitment to keep a former spouse and that he effectively indemnifies his ex-wife for life. In fact, he does not take on this commitment on divorce, but on marriage, and it is perhaps unfortunate that many necole enter marriage without seriously people enter marriage without seriously realizing what they are undertaking."

Ms Cecily Tolson suggested:

"Perhaps Maggie Drummond would like
a new clause added to the marriage service. 'All my worldly goods I thee endow,
or with thee share—until such time as I
get tired of thee, and fancy taking up with
someone else'. She is surprised that 40 per
cent of second marriages and in divorce.

cent of second marriages end in divorce-Perhaps it is more surprising that 60 per cent do not, when one considers that those involved were not blessed with staying power the first time around."

On the question of the former wife's earning capacities Mr J. S. Cross wrote: "It is important to remember that both first, second and subsequent wives are liable to sacrifice their husbands' opportunities. Of course, the husband can sacrifice his career to the wife's opportunities as well, but it is usually the wife who suffers loss of financial independence in the foundation of a family. Thus, if the in the foundation of a family. Thus, if the family is to break up, whilst the husband's

career may be uninterrupted, the wife has to begin anew.

He was firmly in favour of a State role:

"A man or woman who, having undertaken obligations and begotten children then creates by desertion the problems of a one-parent family should be accountable not just to his or her partner, but to the create I am not arraing that primary guilt state. I am not arguing that primary guilt always attaches to the partner who leaves, but that the state has an interest in the affair."

The majority of correspondents had been personally affected by the divorce laws, but Mr Michael Rakusen, author of Distribution of Matrimonial Assets of Divorce published by Butterworth last year, took a dispassionate view, suggesting that the law on maintenance and the division of the essets of a mastriage "can now be seen to fall into a number of neat series of cases, each turning on its own particular facts, very few falling outside the logical framework almost invariably adhered to by the judges who sit in the Family Divi-

"The series of cases concerning Miss Drummond's article is that relating to third parties, a topic which covers not only the husband's new family but that of the wife as well. The position was succinctly summarized by Sir George Baker in H v H, a case in which both parties had remarried following the divorce. Whereas the wife remarried a wealthy man, the husband had remarried an impecunious woman. Sir George summed up the post-tion thus: The Matrimonial Causes Act 1973, section 25 (1) gives the court the widest possible power to achieve the statutory object, namely—to place the parties, so far as it is practicable and . . . just to do so, in the financial position in which they would have been if the marriage had not broken down ...'

"His lordship continued: '... it is not the wife alone who is to be placed in the same position but the parties. Too often the husband's position tends now to be the husband's position tends now to be disregarded. In the present case I find that the husband, having remarried a lady of 29 with no income or assets and having to bring up and educate four young children, is near enough in the same financial position as he would have been if the marriage had not broken down. The wife claimed she had a share in the family's assets by virtue of having loaked after the home for 15 years. Sir George was not impressed. He commented: Any payment impressed. He commented: Any payment will in fact put her in a better financial position than if the marriage had con-tinued, and awarded her a very much

No one can be jailed for debt today, with one notable exception; the man who fails to pay a maintenance order. The speed in which a man can find himself in jail varies, but in some areas he can be jailed within six weeks of his failure to pay. In any one year over 2,000 men spend some time in jail for this reason. Some

some time in jail for this reason. Some courts, too, are reluctant to grant a decree absolute unless maintenance and custody of children has been settled. Some men, however, escape the net and Mrs Barbara Osorio can still write in 1980:

"Am I the only wife, whose husband left her and the children, obtained the divorce absolute without prior arrangements for the children or maintenance for me and, subsequently re-married, still without maintenance arrangements for us?

"Am I the only wife, who for the above reasons had to make an application for maintenance and which was only granted upon the solicitors giving an undertaking for us to vacate the home owned by my husband?

"Is mine the only case in which the new wife worked prior to the marriage but was

wife worked prior to the marriage, but was able to give it up after marrying my husband? "Am I the only wife, whose husband ignores court maintenance orders and fails to provide for his children?"

The Times will be returning to this very vexed question during the next few months and we will look at the whole question of maintenance after divorce. The present state of the law clearly satisfies no one involved in the breakdown of marriage.

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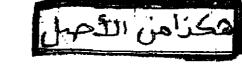
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## Lighting a torch under the aggressor

Some say that the Soviet Union's leaders have made a disastrous mis calculation in invading Afghanistan; calculation in invading Afghanistan; some say that they have, on the contrary, tilted the balance of world power decisively and perhaps permanently in their favour. The truth is much more curious than either theory; it is that the Soviet annexation of Afghanistan is not, as yet, either a triumph or a catastrophe, and it is up to the West to turn it into the one or the other. It is one small step for aggression; it could be small step for aggression; it could be a giant leap for freedom.

First, let us clear away some of the undergrowth. There has already been much talk, particularly in this country, about the fighting qualities of Johnny Afghan who, we are encouraged to believe, will be more than a match for the Russian foe. In no time the Russians will be wishing they had never crossed the frontier, and looking with increasing despera-tion for a way to get back across it. while the fierce tribesmen who gave Britain such trouble in the nineteenth century harry them unmercifully.

Alas for such hopes; this is not the and the such rupes, that is not the mineteenth century but the twentieth; indeed, it is damned nearly the twenty-first, and it is the forces of Lord Brezhnev who have invaded Afghanistan, not those of Lord Auckland. The Soviet answer to guerrilla warfare on the part of the Afghans warfare on the part of the Afghans will be to exterminate a sufficient number of them to ensure that the rest will be either docile or ineffective. The British, faced with a village from which Afghan tribesmen had would send a detachment to burn it down taking a week to get there and giving sufficient audible warning of their approach to enable the inhabitants to disappear into the hills; the Russians today will signal in the bombers and kill every man, woman and child in the place within half an hour of the decision being

That is the first lesson in realism

an issue in this year's American presidential election in the sense that the candidates will debate how the United States

should approach the subject. Yet because of the way the American electoral system works, the fact that this is an election year will influence the

Administration's responses to

events in Britain's troubled

Last month, when Mrs Thatcher and Lord Carrington

went to see President Carter in

Washington, they renewed in forceful terms their request that the United States chould allow the Royal Ulster Consta-

bulary to buy modern Ameri-

Mrs Thatcher, according to her spokesman, said that this

was an unfair gesture against a

properly constituted and non-sectarian police force. She said

native weapons brought to her desk in Downing Street and

after inspection she had no

doubt that the American ones

look into the matter. It is,

however, unrealistic to suppose

that there is much chance in

ere what the force needed. Mr Carter said be would

The Soviet annexation of Afghanistan is not as yet either a triumph or a catastrophe, and it is up to the West to turn it into one or the other. It could still prove to be a giant leap for freedom.

we must learn; Afghanistan has been invaded by an army owing allegiance to men who will stop at nothing at all in the way of mass murder or indeed anything else to gain their ends. The second lesson in reassmination of the second second in reason in the second is that the stories we are now hear-ing of dissension in the Kremlin would not matter even if they were true. Afghanistan now has tens of thousands of Soviet troops on her territory and is in effect already another Soviet colony; all the Soviet leaders must now be hawks, whatever they may have been to begin with, because the alternative to continued occupation of Afghanistan is a Retreat from Kabul as disastrous, in terms of diplomacy if not of lost lives, as the one in 1842. The third lesson in realism is that, for all the talk of Sira American military. talk of Sino-American military alliance or even action, the Russians are not going to be driven out by armed force: the Third World War would certainly be interesting and even exciting, but on the whole I don't think our side ought to start it, and on the whole I don't think

The fourth lesson is the subtlest one, and the most important. If we cannot end the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan, we can at least use it. At present, the action being taken or contemplated is largely reactive. Even so, I may say, it is a very great deal better than such action on the

part of the West usually is; we have only to compare the present course of action with the shameful feebleness of the western response to the 1958 Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia to see the different spirit that informs it. But we are still, so far, only responding to the Soviet aggression; what we now have to do is to capitalize on it. sion; what we ne capitalize on it.

It will not be easy. Nothing could better illustrate the short-sighted selfishness of so many of the nations of the western alliance than the fact that the most President Carter has managed to extract from them is a shaky promise not to sell the Soviet shaky promise not to sell the Soviet Union more wheat than usual to help make up the shortage caused by the reduction in what the United States is willing to supply. No doubt the French will break even this agreement (the friend, ally, supporter, hunting-partner, sustainer, dining-companion and ultimately betreyer of the Emperor Bokassa will hardly shrink from helping the Russians if it will belp his own farmers, particularly will belp his own farmers, particularly since any geologist will tell you that the soil of Afghanistan is wholly deficient in diamonds), just as the Japanese will break any similar agreement on technology; but even if an absolutely united and unbroken front could be organized, it would still be inadequate—and, more to the point, seen to be inadequate—unless it actually involved a reduction, and

more than a token reduction, too, in the amount America's allies are willing to supply to America's, and their enemies. And as externally in the alliance, so domestically in the United States; the Republican contenders for their party's Presidential nomination included only one, and he a forlors hope, who dissented from the otherwise unanimous chorus of blome for the President's action: of blame for the President's action; a handful of convention delegates from the mid-West farming states, it seems, are more important than the safety of the Alliance. And so indeed they are, to men who set their own

ambinions higher than freedom's

Few countries have so far made it unequivocally clear that they realize that this is not an American problem that this is not an American problem in which America deserves support but an international problem which affects the safety of all and the freedom of those who still possess it. Even fewer have added immediate action to forthright words. One of these, happily, is Britain, no longer governed by men who would fear to be too severe on the Soviet Union lest they should risk alienating those on their own back benches (and National Executive, for that matter) for whom few Soviet actions are wrong and none seriously so. and none seriously so.

And yet, as I say, for all President Carter's splendid leadership there is

hat Soviet agriculture is too ineffi that Soviet agriculture is too inefficient to grow for itself, and technology that Soviet industry is too backward to make for itself, is a good start, and the further measures contemplated, together with the vigorous diplomatic offensive the President has launched (I wish Senator Moynihan were still America's Ambassador to the UN, but at least we can be thankful that Mr Ivor Richard is no longer Britain's), will, if (and only if) they are not allowed to stacken and become mere gestures, plaimately have a real effect. But they are not enough.

enough.

They are not enough because the Soviet people, though they will be affected in a manner which will inescapably and very widely tie the adverse effects they are experiencing to the actions of their rulers. A reduction in grain supplies will ultimately make many Russians hungry; but the effect will not work through for a long time, and anyway Russians are frequently hungry already. The limitations on technology will be even more slowly felt, and even more indirectly, and the condemnation of the Soviet invasion by other countries will hardly be felt at all, largely because it will hardly be known about; nothing will appear in the Soviet press, or on their radio or television, which has not been filleted and sterilized for Soviet consumption, and the numbers not been filleted and sterilized for Soviet consumption, and the numbers listening clandestinely to the BBC or Radio Free Europe are obviously small. (As for any delay in the ratification of Salt II, I doubt if most Russians have any idea of what it is, and that goes for most Britons, too.)

But there is one, and only one, action we can take that fits my definition of a positive response which will use the Soviet aggression to the advantage of the West. I refer, of course, to the cancellation, or removal from Moscow, of the 1980 Olympiad. Tomorrow, I shall discuss how that might be brought about and why it might be brought about, and why it is important that it should be.

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## Miss Monroe and the lessons of history

is 75 today: she has been, until view. recently, such an active writer, talker and traveller about the Middle East. But then one realizes she has been that for well over 40 years.

Since she made her name with a Chatham House pamphlet on Abyssinia at the time of Mussolini's invasion, and then her book The Mediterranean in World Politics, published in 1938, I asked whether she saw parallels between those years and the situation today, in the light of the Soviet invasion of

She compares the invasion rather to Hitler's reoccupation of the Rhineland than to Mussolini's rape of Abyssinia. "Hitler and his generals were divided, just as we think the Kremlin is divided today. In each case, the offender weighed up what he would be risking and in each case decided he wouldn't get anything more than a rap on the knuckles."

Another similarity she points out is that 1936 was the year of the Olympic Games in Berlin. "Then, too, there were suggestions that the venue should be moved. But nobody did anything about it. I think this time they should all be moved to Canada. Of course, the Russians would boycott them, but too bad. You give a free advertisement to the country that transgresses if you let them stage the gresses if you let them stage the Olympic Games as a triumph.

"One other thing: on these occasions the objective is always tentative. If you get away with it you try the next thing. We don't know what the Soviet objective is, but part of it must be to put a buffer between Iran and their own Mushms, to have a communist area on Russia's southern belly. If they got away with this they would be splendidly poised for Baluchistan—and there'd be no resistance really of any kind. They'd probably be welcomed."

Miss Monroe admits that of pri there are also important dif- East. ferences. In 1936 there was "I against taking armed action.

was lecturing at Ashridge (a Mark Sykes, and Conservative college — God there's a collection there which knows why. I said I thought you can't possibly write a book about the Middle East without about the Middle East without onsulting. I imagine that's what I got the CMG for, between the consulting of any other fresh initiative towards a solu- against taking armed action. I we ought to resist, and all the about the Middle East without elderly people there said, 'My consulting. I imagine that's dear child, you have no idea what I got the CMG for, bewhat war is like. The casualties cause I can't tbink of any other would be terrible,' and so on. reason." She looks herself up People thought that anyway the Rhineland was part of Germany, and they had a bad conscience about the Treaty of Versailles."

Another big difference she sees is that the Rhineland issue was confined to Europe and the European powers. The Middle East then "wasn't terribly important". Britain got only 22 per cent of her oil from the Middle East, compared to 60 per cent from the mared to 60 per cent from the saved to 60 per cent fr pared to 60 per cent from the New World. And although Britain was concerned to maintain her political position in the Middle East, Italian presence in Ethiopia was not seen as a threat in the way that Soviet presence there is today. "The colonial office submitted a

was settled up in 1936 in a sort of scutter because Egypt was so afraid of being surrounded by the Italians. Egypt rounded by the Italians. Egypt under President Sadat feels the same fear today about the Russians, and some would say he has been in the same kind of "scutter" to make an alliance with the United States.

Miss Monroe does not feel the Afghan crisis is "inevitably leading to the next war in the way each step by Hitler was. I just think if there is any trouble in Asia the Russians will use Baluchistan as a reason for going south. They are ideally poised for it, provided they overcome the Afghan resist-

During the war she worked for the Ministry of Information, where she headed the Middle East department from 1941. Then after a short spell at The Observer, she joined the Economist, spending about two months a year in the Middle East until 1958.

In 1956 she was responsible for recruiting Kim Philby as the paper's Beirut stringer when he went out there for The Observer. She had been introduced to him by his father, St John Philby (whose biography, Philby of Arabia she later wrote) in 1938, and admits to having been very fould of him. having been very fond of him, without having the slightest activities. "There was never anything in his messages which you could suspect ".

in 1958, when her husband retired (he was the eye-surgeon Humphrey Neame), Miss Monroe left the Economist and embarked on a new career as an historian, becoming the first woman fellow of St Amony's College, Oxford. Her best-known work, Britain's Moment in the Middle East, was based on lec-tures she gave there in the early sixtles. She also built up the college's unique collection of private papers on the Middle

flere are also important un-ferences. In 1936 there was "I wrote first to Lord "quite a big bunch of people Samuel, who said, 'I've got a in this country who were whole atric full: come and against taking armed action. I look,' Then I went on to Sir in Who's Who to check the date: 1973, the year after her

> Since then she has lived in London, doing a great deal of book reviewing and other freelance, including acting as his-torical adviser on Thames Television's three-part series on the British mandate in Palestine, shown in 1978

She still works "like a navvie" for various policicophilanthropic causes connected with Palestine. Her two favourite ones are Musa Alami's the Friends of Birzeir Univer-But though her opinions are pro-Arab, she is respected by

**Edward Mortimer** 

#### Michael Leapman on the power and influence of the Irish-American lobby Northern Ireland will not be

## How the presidential race could prolong Ulster's agony

cratic Party organizations for his battle for the nomination against Senator Edward Ken-nedy and Governor Jerry Brown—both, by coincidence, of Irish descent.

The Democratic organiza-The Democratic organizations in many large states and cities, notably New York and Chicago, have traditionally been dominated by Irish-Americans. Mrs Jane Byrne, the Mayor of Chicago, has already plumped for Mr Kennedy, though Mr Carter still has hopes of gaining the support of a dissident group in the party machine led by Mr Richard Daley, the son of the late mayor. bulary to buy modern American handguns.

President Carter had suspended sales of the weapons in August, after pressure from members of Congress representing constituencies with a significant Irish-American population

> New York, of tremendous importance to any presidential aspirant, is still up for the abbing. Mr Hogh Carey, the Irish-American Governor, has held back from endorsing either Mr Carter or Mr Ken nedy, partly because by playing hard to get he hopes to extract more federal assistance for his state and especially for hard-pressed New York City.

Irish policy, though, will also play a factor in Mr Carey's an election year that he will reverse the decision. verdict. In evaluating the can-didates' commitments on the It is not simply a question of his wanting to gain the votes of Irish-Americans in question, the Governor will rely November, though that is part of it. More important at this on his adviser on Irish affairs, Dr Kevin Cahill, a New York physician who is president-genfor support from local Demo- eral of the American-Irish His-



Governor Hugh Carey: Irish policy will be a factor.

It was Dr Cahill who thought up the abortive peace conference on Ireland which was to have been held under Mr Carey's auspices in the summer. He claims that Mr Humphrey Atkins, the North-ern Ireland Minister, had tentatively agreed to attend but Mr Atkins denied this and the conference did not take palce. In the current issue of

Foreign Policy magazine, pub-lished by the Carnegie Endow-ment for International Peace, Dr Cahill has written an arti-cle advocating a more positive role for the United States in trying to arrive at a solution in Northern Ireland.

torical Society and a frequent visitor to Dublin.

American interest and concern as a tool for peace", he write, "successive British govern-ments still appear to view the Irish-American according to the nineteenth century stereotype and still react to any suggestions from this side of the Atlantic as the utterances of an ill-informed, hostile mono-lith that should be silenced.". The article suggested that President Carter should call for an end to the mistreatment stions from this side of the

land, for a swift British withdrawal and a re-establishment political institutions with ective guarantees of effective guarantees of minority rights. This, he added, could be backed by effective

Northern Ireland. vince, especially to cross-border consequence of a British with-"Instead of utilizing Irish- projects and to enterprises drawal."

which provided a fair number of jobs to the Catholic minority. Just before Christmas Dr Cahill expanded his views at a breakfast meeting with journa-lists at the Carnegie Endow-ment's offices in New York. He was asked whether the supply by some Irish-American groups of arms and money to the IRA did not disquality them for talking about a political solu-

"American leaders have re-peatedly called for a halt in the supply of dollars to the IRA", he said. "Responsible British politicians should be able to distinguish between the irresponsible groups and those who are responsible and who have deplored violence." A few weeks earlier

O'Brien former Irish minister who is now editor-in-chief of the Observer, had addressed a imilar breakfast at the place and had propounded a diametrically opposing view. In the same issue of Foreign Policy magazine he has written an article which argues that Americans can make no useful political contribution to resolving Northern Ireland's difficul-

Those no doubt well-meaning people in the United States who are exerting pressure on Britain to move Northern Ireland into a united Ireland usually proclaim that they are doing so out of a desire to end

the violence", he wrote. But if they looked at the in the Democratic presidential situation at all closely, they contest, and American goodwill would realize that only possible long-term consequence of the pressure they exert is the much greater violence that most Irish people in the North economic assistance to the pro- and South see as the inevitable

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He went on to outline detailed scenario of how withdrawal would result in massacre and civil war. An independent Ulster would take security measures which would be seen by Carholics as discriminatory and punitive.
Units of the IRA would fire

at Protestant troops, who would respond. "There would be at least several hundred dead in a very short time and a huge exodus of Catholic refugees would pour into the Republic."

When that view was put to Cahill, he replied that he did not accept Mr O'Brien's implied argument that the only options were instant and complete British withdrawal or in-stant unification of Ireland. When Britain withdrew from its colonies, he said, the pro-cess had been completed in a way which sought to ensure that peace could be kept fol-lowing the withdrawal. He believed that Britain's

present policy on Northern Ireland was one of aimless drift. There must at some stage be a tion, and it was legitimate for Americans and their political representatives to seek a role in influencing the British Gov-ernment to take a more flexible approach, which would in-clude allowing supporters of the IRA to take part in the

Such views provoke anger in British officials who believe they are doing as much as they can to solve a dangerous and difficult problem. They are convinced, as Mr O'Brien is, that the IRA takes heart from statements of that kind, which therefore serve to prolong

Vister'a agony.
Yet Dr Cahill does influence
Mr Carey, and Mr Carey will
be an important power broker is important for Britain in many ways. That is why the Government cannot dismiss Dr Cahill's views as irresponsible rannings, tempted though they may be to do so.

Michael Leapman memorandum saying it wouldn't

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One of the nice things about travelling around the world with the Foreign Secretary, as is the privilege of diplomatic writers from time to time, is going in the VIP plane. Some countries, like America or France, have a presidential aircraft reserved for the use of the head of state. The head of the Playboy empire has his own jet, known as the Big Bunny. In Britain, more modestly, a VC10 from the RAF's fleet is pressed into service for special ministerial visits. Lord Carrington's plane. named Lance Hawker after a famous flying ace of 1915, was lately in use to ferry cargo to Rhodesia. Today it is flying us all from Peshawar and the Khyber Pass on to Delhi, to see

Mrs Gandhi. The plane is not an ordinary plane. After the red carpets, the rushing in and out of con-ference rooms and receptions, the freezing cold on Ankara and the sudden near of Oman, the plane is a home from home. At the front, a special cabin is set up for the Foreign Secretary and his wife discreetly curtained from the middle section of the plane, where the civil servants and private secretaries it in large seats with their discretaries. sit in large seats with their dispatch boxes. And at the back, in convivial muddle, sit the accompanying press, with typewriters and sheaves of important information which we intend to read

before getting to the next soldiers with machine guns Somehow one never quite gets the reading done, there isn't time. We start with coffee at Heathrow, then the RAF

steward comes around with orange juice, and then Lord orange juice, and men Lord Carrington comes down to say hello and tell funny stories. "I once asked the Indian Defence Minister what was the biggest audience he ever addressed and he told me 'three million'. How long did you speak for? 'Three and a half house' bid you have any hours'. Did you have any notes? 'Certainly not'. The Foreign Secretary caps his neatly. largest audience I ever ad-dressed was the Conservative Party Conference at Blackpool, But of course, they were trying After this the steward re-

appears with hot croissants and an expert on Turkey comes down to tell us what's going on in the country. "How big is the Turkish army?" someone inquires "I'm not sure, actually. But rather big". Then the steward comes back with hot savouries and it's time for drinks. Then it's lunch time. The RAF produce a shrimp salad, chicken and two veg, cheese and some sort of cream pastry, which shows what com-mercial airlines could do if they tried. The wine flows, one is just about ready to concentrate on the Turkish economic situation when we start coming down at Ankara. For some reason the four and half hours have gone like a flash. white and calm, is waiting.

It's freezing cold. Two another round of smiles and

rush out to each wingtip. Coat-less, Lord Carrington descends the steps, greets the welcoming delegation, embraces the wife of the British Ambassador, smiles at the cameras, and off we go. Lady Carrington is given a bunch of tulips. The pressembus to the Foreign Ministry where the Director of Information has kindly arranged a tion has kindly arranged a tutorial for us on foreign policy; economic planning and Turco-British relations. All this comes in very handy when a local paper interviews me for my paper interviews me for my thoughts about Turkish foreign policy, the economic plan and Turco-British relations shortly afterwards, at a reception at the hotel, with more drinks and canapes. There is just time for a quick glass with the British delegation in their hotel suite before dashing out to dinner.

The Turkish economic crisis is brought home to everyone by the fact that during the day electricity is cut off and it is 12 flights walk up to the room. The Prime Minister's own office, to reinforce the point seems to be unheated. Unfortunately the roads are too icy to enable the bus to climb up the hill to visit the Hittite museum. The official party continues its talks, followed by a big lunch at the British Embassy for their Turkish hosts. The press scramble around the telex machines to file reports of what happened, before dashing out to the cirport again. The plane, white and calm, is waiting.

Suki's MF must be stinking rich - he's refused to declare his interests

handshakes and another bouquet, and it's up, up and

away. Everyone gets their notes out about Oman. A Middle Eastern expert comes down the plane to help us out. "How large is the Omani army?" someone asks. "I'm not sure schedily, but rather small."
Lord Carrington. in good humour, comes along to answer questions which he despatches round the wicket truly disastrous coup.

like a cricketer who has just British force was wiped out, got his eye in. Then it's time and only one man escaped in for lunch again—or is it the end to tell the tale. dinner?-and it hardly seems worth getting out a book, before we swoop down over the desert to land at Oman. Inside the VIP lounge, waiters in white turbans serve aromatic coffee, smoked salmon and caviar cocktail bits, and dates stuffed with almonds. The Foreign Secretary is ensconced on a settee with the Omani Minister of State, who holds a coffee por in his lap. A cavalcade of cars whisks us into Muscat and to a spanking new hotel where up in the rooms, miniature bottles of brandy and whisky await the weary traveller, plus an Arabic situation contact on a Arabic situation contact on a Arabic situation contact on a Arabic

situation comedy on a Japanese

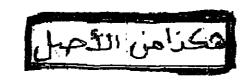
At last there is a chance to look at the book that lay unread on the plane, James Morris's sweeping narrative of the British Empire, Heaven's Command. Volume one Command. Volume one describes an earlier intervention in Afghanistan, which strikes a modern chord. The British proposed to restore to the throne of Kabul the exiled king, who they claimed would "enter Afghanistan surrounded by his own troops, and will be supported against foreign interference and factious opposition by a British army. And when once he shall be secured in power, and the independence and integrity of Afghanistan established, the British Army will be withdrawn." It turned out to be a

By daylight the town of Muscat looks like nothing so much as midtown Las Vegas, all white

and new and high-rise full of car showrooms, with the mountains ringing the skyline. Every-one dons tropical suits. Lord Carrington spends the first day in official talks with the Sultan, then we all fly off in a cargo plane to inspect the oil tankers plane to inspect the oil tankers plying the straits of Hormuz, which live up to their advance billing as lifeline to the Western world. "Navigationally, it's a super place," confides a British Naval officer. But the channel is full of sharks also Pussing is full of sharks, also Russian spyships. The Foreign Secretary is rather keen on Oman, having been here before as First Lord of the Admiraty, gives a couple of television interviews in the desert, and takes a helicopter back to town and another big dinner. Next morning we rush off to the plane, sternly putting aside all thoughts of alcohol. Next stop

The ladies have covered their arms and put on long dresses. It's delightfully warm. The Saudis take Lord Carrington off to a working lunch. The press pile into a bus, Japanese again, and move into another gleaming new hotel. Outside bulldozers are clearing the ground for more buildings and a rumble of progress is in the air. Is tomor-row Thursday? They say it is springtime in Delhi.

David Spanier Diplomatic Correspondent



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## GAS IS NOT DEAR ENOUGH

The price which householders pay for gas is to go up signifi-cantly this year. Domestic tariffs will be raised by 17 per cent on April 1 and by a further 10 per cent six months later. Commercial customers, whose charges went up by 21 per cent last September, will pay an extra 10 per cent from April.

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It was predictable that the announcement of the increases would cause an outcry from consumers. The householder has grasped two facts: first that his gas bills are going to go up sub-stantially; second, that British Gas, the monopoly supplier, has been making enormous profits and will undoubtedly make an even bigger profit this year. The obvious conclusion—one of which he will not be disabused by some politicians of the left and those who draw the world in blacks and whites, with no shades of grey between-is that British Gas is profiteering at his expense.

That is an easy and comfortable interpretation of the facts. It is also wrong. Certainly the corporation's 1978-79 profit of £360.7m was large; it gave British Gas a return on assets of 20.7 per cent, (6.1 per cent if computed by the more realistic replacement cost method). This is a very high but by no means outrageous return. The results in 1979-80 and 1980-81 are likely to be even higher and the return on assets equal to or better than in the previous year.

pilloried for its efficiency, or for its commercial advantages. This country has indulged in muddled thinking about its nationalized industries for too long. The last Labour government, which, along with its predecessors, had been responsible for much of the muddle, appeared to be edging towards a sensible view of state industries in its April, 1978, White Paper. It put forward proposals to ensure, among other things, that the nationalized industries employed resources efficiently to the benefit of the whole community. The history of nationalization has not shown any methods other than the disciplines of profit and loss which motivate state industry managements and their workforces to

perform efficiently. The truth about gas is that it has been underpriced. The demand for conversion to gas and for gas appliances has been such that the industry can no longer cope with it effectively, a sure sign that we have had it too cheaply for too long. If the provision of domestic power is to remain a service to the public then there is no rational reason why one sector of the public (the gas consumers) should pay less for their energy than the other (consumers of electricity). The apparent flaw in this argument is that electricity prices are also about to be raised substantially,

But British Gas should not be so that gas and electricity prices will continue to be out of line.

The uncomfortable conclusion of market pricing is that gas prices should be raised by more than has been planned, but that is thought not to be politically supportable.

There is another justification for higher gas prices. Gas is a scarce resource. Our supplies of North Sea gas will run out before the North Sea wells run dry of oil. The higher prices will be an inducement to conservation; high profits will help finance the heavier capital investment which will be needed if the more marginal (and therefore more expensive to exploit) gas fields are to be brought on stream.

Even this heavy expenditure will not use up all of the British Gas profits. The corporation should certainly not be pushed into unnecessary or profligate investment just because the money is there. Part of the profit will be used to pay off loans and make a net contribution to the Exchequer, a welcome refresh-ment considering the losses elsewhere in the public sector. Dr David Owen, Labour's spokes-man on energy, cavils that the corporation's profit must not be used simply to pay for tax reductions for the better off. Will he then complain if the corporation's payments to the Exchequer contribute to modest tax reductions across the board?

#### REPUBLICANS LINE UP FOR NOMINATION

The events in Iran and Afghanistan have completely changed the look of the American presidential election campaign, affecting both the Democrats and the Republicans. President Carter, who a few months ago looked as though he would be hard put to it to win the Democratic nomination, now has a good chance not only of doing that, but of going on to win the election in November. Being the man in charge at a time of crisis has given him an enormous advantage, and the firmness and moderation with which he has handled the affair of the hostages have been widely approved. But there is still plenty of time for the public mood to change once again-perhaps as a result of some new development in Iran, perhaps because of a miscalculation by Mr Carter, or just because people become impatient for results. If this happens, it could give the Republicans their chance, especially if it comes too late to help Senator Kennedy, Governor Brown and the other Democratic candidates before the convention. The Republican candidate could then make the most of the doubts about Mr Carter's competence

recent months, but not forgotten. This at least must be the hope of the Republicans as they begin the long haul to the conventions

which have been submerged in

with next Monday's caucus elections in Iowa. Iowa itself is not particularly important state, and the small number of people who turn out to vote on occasions like this means that farreaching conclusions can hardly he drawn from the results. But it does have a great deal of psychological significance, because of its place at the beginning of the primary season and because it was there that Mr Carter's campaign first took off in 1976. At this stage it appears that Mr Ronald Reagan was illadvised to refuse to take part in the televised debate earlier this month with the other Republican candidates, since his support in the latest state poll has dropped. But he remains the clear favourite for the party's nomination, because of the strong attachment to him of many party" activists and the countrywide organization he has

The question in the coming months will be whether he can retain his lead or will see it whittled away, as happened to Senator Edmund Muskie in the Democratic primaries in 1972. At present the main challenge appears likely to come from Senator Howard Baker of Tennessee, who first made his name at the Watergate bearings, or Mr George Bush, the Connecticut Yankee turned Texan, who has

held a variety of jobs, including American representative at the United Nations, head of mission in Peking and director of the Central Intelligence Agency. Mr John Connally, the forceful Texan. a Democrat turned Republican, is not for the moment showing the strength that might have been expected. Mr Reagan's own main handicap, which may not affect his chances of getting the Republican nomi-nation but could tell against him in the presidential election, is his age, since he is already 68. But he hopes to counter that by selecting an effective vicepresidential candidate, such as General Alexander Haig, the former Nato commander.

Whoever the Republican candidate is, he will have to present a clear alternative to Democratic policies, and he will have to do a lot better than the candidates who appeared in the television debate in Iowa and almost all attacked Mr Carter's decision to impose a grain embargo on the Soviet Union. Since most Iowa farmers were upset by the decision, it is easy to see why they did this. But it showed little concern for the national interest, and for the fact that any Republican policy must be based on toughness towards the Soviet Union, as well as more defence spending and an attack on inflation.

#### THE OBLIGATION NOT TO TALK noted for future public consump-

The sensible approach taken by Lord Widgery towards the New Statesman's interview of a juror in the Thorpe trial does not resolve all the important issues raised by the case. The court decided that in the particular circumstances the New Statesman's action did not constitute a contempt of court, but made it clear that interviewing jurors could, in other situations, be capable of being contemptuous. He did not, however, specify further. It is right that the New Statesman did not have to suffer in the interests of clarifying an unsettled law. But Lord Widgery's judgment did not take the issue much further. There is still uncertainty in the law, and it should now be ended.

The confidentiality of what is said in the jury room is an important aspect of trust in the jury system. If a juror thought that everything he said might be

the right of every Christian to his

But before we discuss the par-

ticular cases cited, we must surely

examine the general rules. It seems

to me impossible to argue that there is no point beyond which the intel-

lectual adventures of theologians

turn into heresies. So far as I am aware, the Church of England and

the Church of Rome fully agree on

this, even though they do not always

see eye to eye on the tolerable

limits of speculation and interpre-

tation.

There is also an admitted differ-

ence between the practice of the two Churches regarding the freedom

of ministers of religion to continue to publicize hereical views from within the Church.

So far as the current controversial races are concerned. I am far from

ases are concerned, I am far from

competent to judge the rheological

point. It is certainly unfortunate if

the two theologians are condemned

or holding doctrines fully accepted

n other Christian churches.
Nevertheless, I doubt if many

aymen would feel it right to prefer

heir own personal judgment in uch a matter to that of the eccleiastical authorities. Nor would I

own beliefs within the Church.

tion, he would not only be inhibited about expressing his views, but might also in certain cases be frightened to do so. Such apprehension would be particularly acute where the juror was adopting a minority opinion or espousing an approach un-popular with his colleagues. This would not only be true of trials given national publicity. As much harm could be caused, within a community, by publication of jury room discussions in cases of only local interest. The damage would not be confined to distorting the free flow of talk between jurors. It would make people more reluctant to serve on juries in the first place, and lead to more attempts to evade service. In the end, the reputation of the jury system as a whole would be damaged.

The law on jury-room disclosures has not been clear up to now. It should be made certain by statute. The long-awaited Bill giving effect to some of the more important recommendations of the Phillimore committee on contempt of court is to be presented to Parliament coon. It would be easy to add a clause to that Bill, making it an offence to disclose the content of discussions in the jury room in such a way as to reveal the identity either of the case or of the jurors.

It would, for the most part, place no additional obligations on jurors, since it has been the custom for court officials to solemnly warn them not to reveal what they have said in the jury room, and all but a few bave heeded that warning. The fact that the so-called "oath of secrecy" has not in fact had the force of law in the past does not mean that it should not have that force in the future.

suppose that decisions in these cases are taken lightly or without regard to the ecumenical repercus-Answering Vatican charges From Sir Philip de Zulueta

Sir. Lord March's appeal for tolerance within the Church will have moved all of us who feel disturbed sions.
At the same time, the authorities must surely also have regard to the scandal and confusion which is caused, at least in the Church of Rome, if hererical doctrines are by the scandal of a divided Christendom and wish to work always in an ecumenical spirit. How propagated with what seems to be attractive therefore it would be to tacit official approval. respond, as he would no doubt wish. with an unequivocal assertion of

In the future too, it will probably often be hard to balance ecumenical aims against the need to defend what seem essential doctrines. The existence of this dilemma cannot be ignored, and indeed if we all recognize it, we are less likely to be disappointed in our hopes and work for Christian Unity. Yours faithfully,

PHILIP DE ZULUETA, 11 Vicarage Gardens, W8.

#### Risks from nuclear waste

From Dr Brian Wade Sir, May I reassure Mrs Shione Carden (Letters, December 28) concerning the risks from nuclear waste. Radioisotopes with longer half-lives emit radiation with less intensity, until in the limit the halflife is infinite for the stable isotopes with no radiation whatever. For example, natural uranium, with a half-life of millions of years, is so weakly radioactive that the radiation hazard is less than the chemical hazard eating enough will poison you (as with other heavy metals) without the radiation it emits causing you any harm.

Thus a long half-life is not necessarily a disadvantage as far as nuclear waste is concerned. The high level waste which we plan to convert into a durable glass and bury 1,000 feet below ground in stable rock will be very weakly radioactive after a few hundred years. The radiotoxicity of the waste from our Magnox stations will by that time have fallen to the same level as in the original uranium ore dug out of the ground, a hazard which is of no great concern. Our current drilling programme is part of a complex research effort to demonstrate

quite negligible. Meeting the electricity needs of a typical English county causes about two deaths each year if the generating plant is coalfired. If nuclear electricity is substituted, the number of deaths is reduced by about a factor of ten, including not only the hazard from the buried nuclear waste but from all other stages of the fuel cycle as well. That would indicate the opposite conclusion to that suggested by Mrs Carden: it seems far wiser and less risky to use nuclear power

wherever we can. Yours faithfully. DR BRIAN WADE, Nuclear Environment Branch, Medical Environmental and Sciences Division, Atomic Energy Research Establishment. Harwell.

Oxfordshire.

quantitatively that the bazard to man from such buried waste is

> vehicles who believe that, for the same money, they are getting greater reliability or performance than by buying British are deluding themselves. Yours faithfully. R. H. MACMILLAN,

Head of School of Automotive Studies. Cranfield Institute of Technology,

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Police deaf to criticisms

From Mr David Ascoli Sir, As the most recent historian of the Metropolitan Police, may I comment on your leader of Jan-

There are good and historical reasons for police sensitivity to criticism. For 150 years, the service has been subjected to a con-sant barrage of direct attack and, more seriously, a campaign of in-

nuendo. Throughout that time there has always been, in some quarters, a suspicion, if not an expectation, of impropriety. Of course there have been black sheep, and there always will be. Policemen are, like every citizen, subject to the frailties of human nature.
The service has never been

strong on public relations, and chief officers (with the notable exception of Sir Robert Mark) have long tended to talk first and think later. Indeed, the Royal Commission of 1960-62 had this pungent comment: "The problem of controlling ment: "The problem of controlling the police can be restated as the problem of controlling chief con-stables."

But the police, the executive arm of the law, are not above the law. They do not decide issues of criminality, whether in the community at large or in their own ranks. That is the function of the Director of Public Prosecutions, who is in turn resnonsible to the Attorney-Gen-

Whether it is right to delegate such responsibility to one man is a much wider issue. But the DPP makes his decisions on the evidence. which is the only basic of criminal procedure. Increasingly, the process is being infected by what can best be described as "trial by media" (the Thorpe case and the present Operation Countryman are

recent instances).
On May 26, 1977, you printed a leader under the heading "The anger of the police". It is salutary to compare what you said then, and what you suggest now.

The police service remains a highly vulnerable public institution. It sometimes breaks the law. But it does not make the law. And in the last analysis, it is fully accountable for its actions. It can hardly be blamed, however much it may seem to protest, if it is exonerated of charges which are not, in the event, supported by the evidence. I am. Sir. your obedient servant, DAVID ASCOLI,

Chinthurst Lane, Shalford, Surrey.

#### The Ulster conundrum

From Mr A. Edwin D. Fleming Sir. The case pur forward by Tony and Gay Firth (The Times, January 11) for an independent Northern Ireland ignores totally the evidence of the 1973 Border Poll in which 98 per cent of those who voted chose to remain in the United Kingdom. The recent opinion poll taken on a good statistical sample by the Dublin-based Economic and Social Research Institute (Irish Times, October 16, 1979) showed that 50 per cent of Roman Catholics in the province wish to remain in per cent who desire a united Ireland. I submit that there is no case for saying that unionism is "specifically Protestant" as Hugh Munro argues (The Times, January 8), or the province is a "sectarian dependency" as the Firths claim.

In the six counties of Northern Ireland between 1911 and 1971 the Roman Catholic population in-creased from 430,16T to 477,921 while in the 26 counties of the Republic during the same period the Protestant Church of Ireland popu-lation fell from 249,535 to 97,739, and the Roman Catholic population from 2,812.509 to 2,795,666. It is characteristic of the Scuthern Irist, I suppose, that they habitually allege sectarianism against the North, but the reality shows that if the charge of sectarianism is to he laid against Ireland, it is the Republic that should be in the dock and not the North.

Yours faithfully. A. EDWIN D. FLEMING, 55 Kylemore Avenue, Mossley Hill, Liverpool.

#### Future of motor industry

From Professor R. H. Macmillan Sir, In response to Mr Salisbury's letter today (January 10), my views as Director, from 1964 to 1977, of the Motor Industry Research Association, may be relevant. During this period we undertook the thorough test and analysis of more than 50 types of imported vehicle with the principal object of learning about any features of their design and performance which were of partiperformance which were or parti-cular interest to our members. Addi-tionally we recorded those faults discovered on delivery and those failures which developed in the course of testing.

I can assure you that these lists of faults and failures for almost any model of volume produced vehicle were at least as long and serious as any of those that have been published for British models. Of course, "rogue" cars are occasionally turned out by any manu-facturer—they all admit it—but the imported rogues seem to get less publicity. Fleet operators in this country, who purchase predominantly British vehicles, know where

to find value for their money.

Speaking personally, I have driven and owned British vehicles for over 40 years, from the first Hillman Minx through Ford and Vauxball to my present favourite, a series of Triumph cars. I have found them, by and large, reliable and satisfactory, and curiously enough the only major breakdown I have suffered was caused by the failure of an imported component fitted as

original equipment. It is my firm opinion that purchasers of mass produced imported

Professor of Vehicle Design. Otterburn Hall,

#### Intervention or the free market

From Lord McCarthy Sir, To judge from the open memorandum to our political leaders which you published today (January 9), a welcome degree of realism has permeated the thinking monetarists. The authors appear to accept what many of us have always said: given the conditions that actually exist in Britain's Izbour and product markets the "restcra-tive effect" of monetarism could be indefinitely delayed. Meanwhile, British manufacturing industry seems set to enter an irreversible decline.

The trouble is that, given the monopoly power of powerful unions and big employers, tight maney is bound to mean both higher prices and increased unemployment. Indeed it could create a situation in which small employers, and non-unionists, bear the brunt of the com-ing recession. If this is now the declared position of thinking mone-tarists it is a welcome advance. The only difficulty is that in their memorandum your distinguished contributors are unable to suggest how we are to change this situa-tion.

They rightly confess that the Government's Employment Bill cannot be expected to be much help. They also advance no proposals to break up the power of private monopolies. All that is proposed are two nar-rowly based measures focused on different parts of the public sector. The first is that some public utilities should be subjected to private sector competition, eg the Post Office, the National Coal Board and

Yours, McCARTHY. Nuffield College, Oxford. means invariably satisfactory alternative) must necessarily be con-sulted in the original and often, because of the need for simulta-neous comparison, in series or in

parallel. Readers have a long recognized right to see them without

We see the present proposals as threatening the greatest possible disservice to the unity and efficiency of research in our inter-related disciplines, and find it inconceivable that they should be implemented. We earnestly beg the authorities concerned to give them the most radical reconsideration. sideration.

Yours faithfully, T. C. BARKER, Chairman, British National SYDNEY CHECKLAND. President, Economic History Society; C. R. ELRINGTON. General Editor, Victoria History of the Counties of England; JOHN HIGGS,

IEUAN GWYNEDD JONES. Chairman, History and Law Committee of the Board of Celtic Studies;

รัสเเลาร์คร -Cambrian Archaeological Association; F. M. L. THOMPSON,

Director, University of London Institute of Historical Research; Chairman, Anglo-American Historical Committee, Institute of Historical-Research, Senate House, WC1. January 15.

#### Books for children

From Mr Kenneth Pinnock Sir, Because teachers do not show much interest in acquiring "greater critical penetration" in choosing children's books, they should con-tinue to be denied adequate funds for purchasing schoolbooks. That seems to be the conclusion which Bryan Alderson arrives at, somewhat tortuously, as one would expect, in his article today (January 9).

If Mr Alderson really wanted to know why teachers don't buy many books and journals on children's literature, he might have found the answer in the front page article of this week's Times Educational Supplement, headlined "Library Service being wiped out by spending cuts." Why should teachers spend

there is a natural tendency to spend most or ell of the available money on basic texts rather than back-ground reading.

Mr Alderson commends the National Book League's report, Books for Schools, but fails to mention its main conclusion : that spending on schoolbooks needs to be doubled in order to provide adequately for schools needs. No one imagines that in the state sector of education at least—this will actu-ally happen, even though the cost would be less than 1 per cent of all educational expenditure. But what is more disturbing is that there seems no evidence from local authorities that the £2.4 million which the Secretary of State is prowhich the secretary of State is pividing specifically to maintain the purchasing power of capitation allowances (from which schoolbooks are bought) will actually be used for this purpose. Starved of books though they now are, schools throughout the country usey well find in 1980 that they can buy some 20 per cent fewer books than in 1979. Yours faithfully,

KENNETH PINNOCK, Chairman, Educational Publishers' Council, 50 Albemarle Street, W1.

#### Dying in police custody From The Reverend Ralph Bell

Sir, I hope the Government will agree to Mr Michael Meacher's demand for a public inquiry into deaths of persons in police custody (report, January 7). Many law abiding citizens and friends of the police are deeply concerned by the facts he has revealed and cannot understand the refusal of the Government to set up an inquiry or the opposition of the police to stating their case at an inquiry. If the accusations made against some policemen are true, the situation is disgrace to British justice, and the police must want the oppor-tunity to set their house in order. If the accusations are false, then surely the police want the opportunity to refute them.

Having been a magistrate for some years, I understand the diffi-culty of the Director of Public Prosecutions in instituting criminal proceedings against individuals (when there are no independent wit-nesses inside police stations) but I cannot understand the Home Secretary's reluctance to setting up a public inquiry. Yours sincerely, RALPH BELL.

Otterburn, Northumberland.

#### electricity supply. But if the prob-lem is union power this will only have an impact if any private sector that eventually emerges remains non-unionised and relatively poorly paid, I can see no reasons to suppose that this would be the case.

Secondly, it is suggested that charges should be raised for a range of personal, private and family services provided by central government and local authorities. Since provision is to be made for "selective cash subsidies" for the "poor" this might belo to combat unement. this might help to combat unemployment in the non-industrial civil service, but it is hard to see why it should have the slightest effect on the overpowering might of either the Transport and General Workers' Union or British Oxygen.

Yet we must not despair. Once the leaders of an irrelevant and counterproductive doctrine are forced into a position where they advance still more implausible and long-term measures to avoid the need to think again, we may be on the way to redemption. In time their doubts and uncertainties may even come to the notice of the Govern-

Perhaps, in a year or so, it will be admitted that it would be better to base our economic policies on the actual realities of our own economic and industrial structure; just as our main competitors have always done. One only hopes that by that time there will be something to restore.

#### Access to public records From Projessor T. C. Barker and

Sir, Historians and research workers. not only in this country but throughout the western world, will have learned with consternation and dismay, from Mr Sainty's letter in your issue of January 9, of the proposal to discontinue the use of the Public Record Office search rooms in Chancery Lane. Searchers will be required instead to go to the new repository at Kew to work at records which, while continuing to be housed in central London, will be shuttled to and fro by van between their present strong rooms and the new centre. Mr Mabbs's subsenuent letter (January 12) alas affords little reassurance to those who use the records and are con-

cerned for their safety. The financial savings, which are the object of this disruptive measure, must needs be offset by heavy and growing transport costs. On the other band, the inconvenience and loss of working time to the students, scholars, lawyers and inby it will be grievous and included by it will be grievous and incalculable. Moreover, the risks, which Professor Davis (January 12) rightly emphasizes, of damage in rightly emphasizes, of damage in transit to the records themselves, whether in handling or by traffic hazards, are real and wholly unacceptable. It has to be remembered that the central archive consists not only of an unrivalled series of medieval records, from Domesday Book and the receipts, century day Book and the twelfth century Pipe Rolls onwards, but includes also much more recent collections as the sixteenth, seventeenth and eighteenth century State Papers, as well as Probate records down to 1857 and the increasingly used nineteenth century Census returns. These, and some hundreds of other classes of documents, are in con-stant demand: all but the latest of them (to which, in some cases, microfilm now provides a by no

undue hindrance, and the facilities for their identification and study at Chancery Lane, built up over more than a century, are homo-geneous and well ordered.

Committee of the International Committee of Historical Sciences;

Chairman, Standing Conference for Local History;

A. J. TAYLOR, Past President, Society of

#### forbid them to take them home.

time and money learning how to choose books of a kind that is beyond their reach? School libraries, indeed, seem to

be suffering even more than text-books from the cutbacks of recent years. It is by no means unknown for a local authority to decide to cut out all school library spending for a year, or to leave library service vacancies unfilled. And, with schools so desperately short of books that they have to force children to share textbooks and to

#### Reflections

Sir. I note, with mild surprise, that you have today (January 10) published above my name a letter which I did not write, although I am chairman of the National Association for Service to the Realm. In the circumstances, perhaps you will allow me space to reply to myself. While I feel that the introduction of some form of National Service might well benefit this country, I fear that its effect on the cur-rent situation in Afghanistan would prove negligible. One hundred and forty years ago General Elphin-stone's immediate reaction to the Afghan crisis was to drop his revolver, thus wounding himself in the buttocks; today's letter maintains that fine old tradition of clear thinking.

From Lord Kingsale and Ringrone

I hope that you will in future exercise your editorial prerogative on any other Lord kingsales who may write to you, and will ruth-lessly correct their style and syn-tax, we have, after all, our living to earn as a writer, and we don't want people thinking that we write many sentences like those appearing today.

I remain; Sir, yours faithfully, KINGSALE, Orchard Villa, Upton Noble, Somerser. January 10.

#### A third airport for London

From the Managing Director of the British Airports Authority Sir, In his letter (January 3) Roy Watts drew attention to British Airways' special interest in the develop-ment of Heathrow to its full potential. In so doing he set out a number of points in support of building a fifth terminal there before moving to a second development phase at Stansted.

There is no party with a greater interest in the future of London's airport system than the British Alf-ports Authority itself. It seems ap-propriate, therefore, that I should respond to some of the points he has made, as it must be clear to all concerned that the BAA and British. Airways do not see eye to eye on the subject of a fifth terminal.

If Mr Watts is right in his belief that the first phase of Stansted's development (15 millian passengers a year) will be used up by around 1990, then the time has already passed when a decision should have been made with regard to the acbeen made with regard to the ac-quisition of the Perry Oaks sewage works on which such a terminal

would have to be built.
This is because of the exceptionally long lead time associated with a major project that would involve at least two lengthy planning in-quiries (one for the terminal de-velopment itself, and one for the relocation of the sewage works at relocation of the sewage works at some other site), quite apart from the physical works incurred in the reprovision of that facility elsewhere (before Perry Oaks could cease operating) and subsequent reclamation of the existing site.

From the evidence given at the Terminal 4 Public Inquiry in 1978, the declaration of the site for a

the development of the site for a fifth terminal could take up to 12 years from a decision to proceed. The report of the advisory comnittee on airports policy drew attention to a number of other problems associated with a fifth terminal at Perry Oaks, and which had led the Government to the earlier abandonment of this particular order in the formulation of cular option in the formulation of a solution to the problem of airport capacity in the London area. These include the practical prob-lems of providing for adequate road and rail access in what is already one of London's most heavily used areas, and the costs involved in the provision of substantial new infrastructure for a relatively modest gain in passenger capacity, since Heathrow would be constrained by the inability of the runways to match the potential of five major terminals in the early 1990s.

Yours faithfully, JOHN MULKERN, 2 Buckingham Gate, SW1.

#### A tower opposite the Tate From the Archbishop of Canterbury and others

Sir, A monumental building, nearly twice as high as Big Ben and towering over Westminster from its Thameside location only a few hundred yards from Lambeth Palace and so colossal that it is known as "The Green Giant" being clad in green glass or by local clad in green glass, or by local campaigners as "The Incredible Hulk of the South Bank" is destined to become the new landmark

Nothing quite like it has ever been built before, Not a skyscraper, but a skylab, it is like a wall 500 feet high, nearly as high as the Post Office Tower. The Public Enquiry being held at Brixton Town Hall into the European Ferries Development of the Vauxball Bridgefoot site, opposite the Tate Gallery, is in its final stages with but scant objections from Lonioners, due largely to lack of

When one of the nation's great poets wrote from Westminster Bridge Earth has not anything to show more fair" it was true in both senses, but unless the citizens of London are made aware of the Green Colossus on their doorstep (with seven more similar plans on the drawing board) and of their chance to object, it will not be true

in either sense.

Alongside the historic "pearls of the nation" runs the famous beauty of the Thames, which has inspired artists from Canaletto to Turner, but unless the Thames itself is "conserved" as a scenic river, with architectural "balance" on both banks, in keeping with the historic heart of London, Londoners will suffer an irrecrievable loss forware. No one who cares for this country and all it stands for can want to see the beauty of London destroyed by buildings out of all proportion to its character and style.

Yours faithfully,
DONALD CANTUAR, EDWARD
CARPENTER, Dean of Westminster; HENRY MOORE, President, Turner Society; BRUCE OF DON-INGTON; ALEXANDER OF TUNIS; R. P. W. WALL, Chairman, River Thames Society; RUSHEEN WYNNE-JONES, Chairman, Friends of Chelsea. Lambeth Palace.

#### Setting a modest example

From Mr Richard Joyce Sir, It does not seem very realistic of the Government to expect steelmen, or any other industry for that matter, to settle for a wage increase of 5 per cent, 10 per cent or even 20 per cent when they themselves set the example by encouraging an increase in the cost of domestic gas supplies of 29 per cent in less than one year. Yours faithfully.

RICHARD JOYCE, 91 Sheerstock, Haddenham, Buckinghamshire.

#### Whim-wham

From Mrs Patrick Young Sir, Whim whoms for goose's bridles were invariably on the menu when, as children in Australia, we asked our family cook, "Doris, what's for pudding?". I always understood that Doris's family and the expression came from Cheshire. Yours faithfully. JENNY YOUNG, 8 Lansdowne Walk, W11.



#### COURT CIRCULAR

SANDRINGHAM January 15: The Lady Rose Baring has succeeded Lady Abel Smith as Lady in Waiting to The

CLARENCE HOUSE Jaouary 15: Mrs Patrick Campbell-Preston has succeeded Ruth, Lady Fermoy as Lady in Waiting to Queen Elizabeth The Queen

KENSINGTON PALACE January 15: Princess Alice
Duchess of Gloucester was represented by Miss Dorothy Meynell
at the Memorial Service for The
Dowager Duchess of Bessborough in the House of Lords' Crypt.

There will be a requiem Mass and thanksgiving for the life of Sir Charles Curran, Director-General of the BBC from 1969 to 1977 and Managing Director, Visnews 1977 to 1980, in Westminster Cathedral at 11.15 am on Thursday, February 14, 1980.

#### Birthdays today

Sir Alastair Blair, 72.; Air Marshal Sir Robert Craven, 64; Professor Sir Peter Hirsch, 55; Professor A. M. Hunter, 74; Professor Sir Henry Stewart, 64; Lord Thomson of Monifieth, 59; Professor H. W. R. Wade, QC, 62.

**Eton College** Eron College opens today for the Lent Half with 105 new boys. The total in the school is 1.274. T. J. E. Bayne, KS, is captain of the school, and P. D. P. Barnes, OS, captain of the Oppidans. Long leave will be from February 22 to 25. There will be services of confirmation in college chapel conducted by the Bishop of Lincoln on March 15 and 16. School closes on March 26.

Llandovery College The Lent Term begins today with 273 pupils on the roll. Shaun Parry-Jones is head of school. Mr J. M. Kendrick is the new Housemaster of Cadog in succession to Mr D. I. Gealy. Confirmation by the Bishop of St David's is on Thursday, February 14. The London Old Llandoverians' dinner is at the Savoy Rotel on February 15. Half-term will be from February 15 to 19 and the term will end on March 28, 1980.

#### Truro School

Centenary 1880-1980 The Foundation Day service will he on Sunday January 20, from 3.30 pm, at St Mary Clement, Truro. The preacher will be the Bishop of Sodor and Man, an old boy of the school, and will be conducted by the Rev A. B. Franklin, Chairman of the Cornwall Methodist District. There will be celebrity coverts by the other be celebrity concerts by two other old boys, Mr Alan Opie and Mr Benjamin Luxou, on January 27 and March 9 respectively.

#### St John's School Leatherhead

The Lent Term begins today with 452 boys in the school. The new chairman of the school council will be Mr A. H. C. Greenwood in succession to Mr M. R. Monler-Williams who is now vice-chairman. The school captain is Colin Required. The composition for the Renwick. The competition for the Bruinvels Trophies will be on Saturday, February 9. The confirmation service will be conducted by the Bishop of Guildford 12 30 mm on Saturday. February February i on Saturday, February 16, and the term will end on Thursday, March 27,

#### Queenswood School

The Spring Term begins today. Isabella Palmer is head girl and Caroline Pollett is school captain. The choral concert will be held on Sunday, March 16, and term ends on March 26.

#### Service luncheon RN Colleges Osborne Dartmouth

To celebrate the sixtleth applyersary of their joining the Drake/ Benbow Term, RN Colleges Osborne and Dartmouth, members lunched together at the Arts Club yesterday. Admiral Sir Charles Madden was in the chair and Madden was in the chair and others present were:
Rear-Admirals R. S. Wellby and G. A. Wilson: Capiains Camoboli. Cibson, Poliger and Rutherford: Commanders Bradbury. Duvall. Langworthy, 1atheson. Thompson and Sir George Bull: Licutenant-Commanders Bryans and Macleay: Lieutonant Lightstone-Leymonth and Mr Alan Webb.

#### Today's engagements Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, Patron of Royal Hospi-

tal and Home for Incurables, Putney, attends performance of Die Fledermaus, Royal Opera House, Covent Gardea, 7.25.
The Duke of Gloucester, President of National Association of Boys Clubs visits clubs, Bock-Princess Alice Duchess of Glou-cester, Colonel-in-Chief, Royal Corps of Transport, receives Major-General P. Blunt on re-

linquishing his appointment as Colonel Commandant, and Major-General P. H. Benson on assuming appointment, Kensington Palace, 12.

ton Palace, 12.

Exhibitions: Cutting betel.

Museum and Art Gallery.

Chequer Road, Doncaster;

Drawings from Polish collections, Hein Gallery. 59 Jermyn

Street, 10-5.30; Architectural drawings by Peter Wilson.

Architectural Association, School of Architectural Association, School Square, 10-7. Square, 10-7. Readings: Lady Wilson (1) St

#### Memorial service

Dowager Countess of Bessborough Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester was represented by Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester was represented by Miss Dorothy Meynell and Princess Alice Countess of Athlone by Lady May Abel Smith, who was accompanied by Colonel Sir Honry Abel Smith, at a service of thanksgiving for the life of the Dowager Countess of Best-borough, held yesterday in the Crypt Chapel of the Palace of Westminster. The Dean of Westminster officiated assisted by the Rev Raymond Turvey and the Rev James Roberts, Chaplain of the Order of St John of Jerusalem. Mr Desmond Browne (grandson) gave an address. Among others present were: 

7.30.
Lunchtime music: Angela Malsbury and David Pettit (clarinet and piano), Bristol University, 1.15; Stmon Nicholls, piano, St Olave. Hart Street, 1.05; organ recital: Richard Townend, St Margareth, Lothbury, 1.10; Joseph Cooper, baritone, Holy Sepuichre, 1.15; song recital. Gary O'Brien, guitar, St Martinwithin-Ludgate, 1.15.

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Hambledon, Lady Downger, Lady Caccia
representing Laddes Guild of the Order
of St. John of Jerusalem;
The Downger Lady Liemborough,
Lardy Grendevon, Ladd and Lady Afrenne,
Lardy Grendevon, Lady Gladwin, Lady
Rachel, Lady Makley-Cooper, Lord and
Lady Thorneycroft, Lady Gladwin, Lady
Rachel, Pernys. Lady Mary Glimour, the
Hon Mrs Cayzer, the Hon John Lambton, the Hon Mrs Contine Brinder, the
Hon Mrs Cayzer, the Hon John Lambton, the Hon Greeffen Chime, HolLady Hongs, Lady Mary Glimour, the
Hon Mrs Cayzer, Lady Goschen,
Commander Sir Michael Culnuc-Sevenour,
Sir Jewand and the Hon Lady HonLady Lindsay.
Sir John Bellout, Lady
Lady Light Hon Colville, SirPeter and Lady Hope, Sir Edmund
Sargant, Sir Glibort Longdon, Sir Paul
and Lady Wright, Lieutenant-Colonel
Sir Martin Gillian Lady
Lubornistki, Nilse Mary Godde.
Major Hamish Horbes, Mr and Mrs
Neville Ford, Mr Humphrey Whithead,
Mrs Alevander Glimour, Mrs James do
Robbechenner Glimour, Mrs James do
Robbechenner King, Mrs Mary Godde.
Mrs Harris, Mr John Staffard-Moule,
Mr Gerald King, Malor and the Hou
Mrs Bagil Greenwell, Miss Lociads
Robbin Miss Mary Brisser, Mr MarRobbin Miss Mary Brisser, Mr MarRobbin Miss Mary Brisser, Mr Mar-Mr Gersid Miss.

Mrs Bruce Shand, Rear-Admiral and
Mrs Royer Dick.

Mr Basil Greenwell, Miss Locinda
Romilly, Miss Mary Brassey. Mr Maxwell Bruce, Qc. Miss E. Longdon, Mr Simon Elliot, Mr Deley Divon. St. T.
Dudman, Cannel D. Divon. Les ReSandy Miss Mr William C. Bucharan
(Cannel Mrs Bucharan)

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Mandellion Mrs P. R. Louchars (Commissioner-in-Chirf, St. John Ambulabes
Brigade) and Mrs P. H. White (president, Canadian Women's Club).

#### Forthcoming marriages Mr E. J. I. Stourton and Miss M. McEwen

and Miss M. McEwen
The engagement is announced between Edward, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Nigel Stourton of The Hall Newton-le-Willows, North Yorkshire, and Margaret, eldest daughter of the late Sir James McEwen, Bt, and of Mrs Kenneth Wagg, of Ridge House, Ascot, Berkshire.

Mr P. D. Barton and Miss N. H. du Boulay

Mr A. R. Collard

Mr R. D. Kennedy and Miss M. A. Grant

Mr N. J. Burden and Miss L. M. Kinnier Wilson

Mr A. G. N. d'Abo
and Miss L. C. S. Burnham
The marriage took place quietly
in London on Friday, January 11,
1980, between Mr Noel d'Abo,
youngest son of Mr and Mrs
Edward d'Abo, of Forest Rise,
Netherfield Way, Battle, East
Sussex, and Miss Lai Burnham,
younger daughter of Mr and Mrs
Edward Burnham, of Chelwood
Beacon Cottage, Chelwood Gate,
Haywards Heath, West Sussex.

Majesty's Government at Lan-

caster House yesterday in honour of Señor Jaime Lamo de Espinosa, Spanish Minister of Agriculture.

Royal Society of Medicine
Lord Smith, President of the
Royal Society of Medicine, accompanied by Lady Smith, presided
at a dinner held at 1 Wimpole
Street yesterday for members of
council. Mr William Rees-Mogg,
who was accompanied by Mrs
Rees-Mogg, was the guest
speaker. Among others present
were:

Weie . Lord and Lady Porritt, Lord and Lady Richardson. Professor Sir John and Lady Dacie. Sir John Stailworthy, and Dr and Mrs E. Zoloias.

Parish Clerks' Company
The Lord Mayor, accompanied by
the Sheriffs, attended festal evensong at St Bride's, Fleet Street,
yesterday. Mr Reginald Adams,
Master of the Parish Clerks' Company, and the Wardens entertained the brethren and their
guests at dinner at Sion College.
The speakers were the Master,
the Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster, the Rev Basil Watson and
Mr R. G. Ellen.

The Coningsby Club entertained Lord George-Brown at the St Stephen's Club last night. Mr

David Heathcoat-Amory was in the

Lady Mayoress
The Lord Mayor and the Lady
Mayoress entertained the Court of

Aldermen, the Sheriffs and high officers of the Corporation, and

their ladies, at dinner at the Mansion House last night.

Gold fever

raises antique

watch prices

By Geraldine Norman

Parish Clerks' Company

Coningsby Club

chair.

Postings, Hampshire.

The engagement is announced between Peter David, son of Mr and Mrs David Barton, of Low Drewton, South Cave, East Yorkshire; and Nicole Houssemayne, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs H. C. H. du Boulay, of Edgbaston, Birminsham.

and Miss F. D. Fox-Robinson

Mr H. G. Holden and Miss J. E. H. Winn and Miss J. E. H. With The engagement is announced between Hyla, son of Sir David and Lady Holden, of Wilsford Cum Lake, Amesbury, Wilshire, and Jane, daughter of Lieutenant-Commander and Mrs W. M. Winn, and buss M. A. Graft
The engagement is announced
between Raymond, elder son of
Andrew and Renée Kennedy, of
Bedhampton, and Miranda, elder
daughter of Seafield and Catherine
Grant, of The Causey, Cranleigh,
Surrey, and 6 Queensberry Place,
S.W.7. of London, SE1.

of London, SE1.
Captain M. W. Beach
and Miss M. B. Dykes
The engagement is announced
between Michael William, second
son of General Sir Hugh and Lady
Beach, of The Ropeway, Beaulieu,
and Marjorie Buchanan, younger
daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Dick
Dykes, of Hawkcraig Cottage,
Aberdour, Fife.

Flight Lieutenant B. St L. Burnett and Miss C. A. Baxter
The engagement is announced between Bruce, elder son of Air Chief Marshal Sir Brian and Lady Burnett, of Farnham, Surrey, and Christine, daughter of Mr and Mrs G. Baxter, of Boston, Lincolnships

Mr R. F. Argles and Miss V. A. T. Nightingale and Miss V. A. T. Nightingale
The engagement is announced
of Richard Fenton, son of Mr C.
M. Argies, of Horsham, Sussex,
and Mrs T. W. Argies, of Purtey,
Surrey, to Vanessa Anne Taylor,
daughter of the late Captain K.
F. T. Nightingale, R.H.A., and
Mrs Sonia Newton-Clare, of Barkston Gardens, London, SWS.

Mr J. C. Boothman and Miss S. H. Richardson Dr. I. J. F. Morle
and Miss D. Lister
A marriage has been arranged
and will take place on February 9,
1980, between lain Jeremy Forgan,
younger son of Dr K. D. F. Morle
and Mrs H. Morle, and Diana,
eldest daughter of Professor and
Mrs James Lister, Rainhill,
Merseyside and Miss S. H. Richardson
The engagement is announced
between John, elder son of Mr
and Mrs T. H. Boothman, of
Little Court, Mont Cambrai, St
Lawrence, Jersey, and Susan,
younger daughter of Mr and Mrs
W. E. Richardson, of Amador,
Tower Road, St Helier, Jersey.

Mr S. C. V. Birchall
and Miss S. A. Morris
The engagement is announced
between Simon, younger son of
Mr and Mrs V. G. Birchall, of
Headington, Oxford, and Sallie
Amanda, daughter of Mr and Mrs
C. J. Morris, of Keusington, W8.

Mr P. R. Nelson
and Miss T. D. Price
The engagement is announced
between Patrick, only son of Mr
and Mrs T. R. Nelson, of Bordeira,
Algarve, Portugal, and Tessa,
youngest daughter of Brigadier
and Mrs Rollo Price, of Netherton,

#### Luncheons

Law Society
Mr John Stebbings, President of
the Law Society, was host at a
lunction held at 60 Carey Street yesterday. Among those present were:
The High Commissioner for New Zealand. Lord Belsiead, Sir Alexander Johnston, Sir Philip Oppenheimer. Sir David Napley. Mr. William Benyon, MP. Mr. J. D. Clarke. Mr. P. D. Williams and Mr. J. L. Bowron is eccretary—generali.

West Africa Committee a luncheon in honour of Mr C. E. Parkinson, Minister of State for Trade, at the Travellers' Club, yesterday. Mr E. C. Judd, chairman, presided.

Society of Company and Commercial Accountants Mr M. E. Nelson, general manager of Reuters, was the guest speaker at a private luncheon given at the Tallow Chandlers' Hall, Dowgate Hill, London EC4, yesterday by Mr J. K. Poole, President of the Society of Company and Commercial Accountants. Other guests

Were:

Mr. G. C. Balleg, Mr. J. D. Bird, Mr.
Mr. J. Boleat, Dr. H. R. Harris, Mr.
D. H. Johnson, Mr. F. Murray King,
Mr. J. Newton, Mr. B. R. Phillips, Mr.
Mr. J. C. Smith,
Mr. J. Hibram, Mr. A. G. Smith,
Mr. J. Hibram, Mr. A. Winley,
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Mr. J. Mr. J. Berph, member
of council and Mr. J. R. Tresman,
executive director, were:

#### Dinners **HM** Government

Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, was host at a dinner given by Her

#### Service dinner

RN College, Dartmouth A golden jubilee dinner was held in HMS Nelson yesterday, by permission of the commanding officer, to mark the auniversary of the date on which the Greyn-vile Term joined the Royal Naval College, Dartmouth. Rear-Admiral Sir Edward Rebbeck was a guest

## sir Edward Rebbeck was a guest and those present included: Rear-Admirai F. D. Holford, Capitain D. McEwen, Commanders J. P. Divon, R. E. D. A. James and J. B. Lamb, Licutenant-Commanders M. J. de C. Carey, K. I. Hamilton, D. H. Johnson, P. Paget, T. Paich, Judge J. H. A. Slucley and W. B. Whitworth; and Mr P. R. Grotrian.

Gallery, Trafalgar Square, 1.
Concerts: British Rafi male voice choir, St George's Church, Swallowbeck, Lincoln, 7.30; Songmakers' almanac: Portrait of a year, Purcell Room, South Bank, 7.30.

Sale Room Correspondent
Collectors with gold fever were
back again at Christie's South
Kensington, yesterday when a
jewel sale offered jewels and
watches mounted in gold. The
watches in particular were sought
after. Lawrence Jewry, 1.15; Catherine
Lucy Czerkawska reading her
own poetry, School of Scottish
Studies, 27 George Street, Edinburgh, 7.30.
Lectures: A shadow outline of
Virtue: Classical heritage or
Greek Christian literature, Professor Ihor Sevcenko (Harvard
University). Warburg Institute,
London University, Woburn
Square, 5.30; Sculpture of Giacometti, Tate Gallery, Millbank,
1; Rubens and royally, National
Gallery, Trafalgar Square, 1. A gold hunter-cased keyless

A gold nunter-cased keyless quarter-repeating chronograph went for £1,900 against an estimate of £1,000 to £1,200. It was no doubt important on this occasion that the watch had a heavy 18-carut gold fancy belcher watch chain attached. It went to a private collector. private collector.

A George III 18-carat gold open-faced pocket watch with floral enamelled case went to Suss, a dealer, at £1,250 against an estimate of £600. The sale totalled £38,963, with 10 per cent

Phillips's Tuesday furniture sale made £36,510, with 15 per cent unsold. A manogamy breakfront library bookcase, an enormous piece, daing from the early nineteenth century, brought the top price at £3,000 (estimate £3,000-£4,000).

Some pieces with more ambit-ious estimates failed to sell; a set of eight mabogany ladder-back chairs "in the Georgian taste" were bought in at £500 (estimate £1,000-£1,500).

#### New bishop

The Rev David Ramsay Lunn. rector of St George's, Cullercoats, and rural dean of Tynemouth. will be consecrated Bishop of Sheffield in York Minster on January 25. The new bishop, a bachelor, began his church career 25 years ago as a curate at Sugley, in the diocese of Newcastle.

#### Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:
The Countess of Mar and Keltie
to be president of the United Kingdom Committee for United (United
Nations Children's Fund) in succession to Countess of Limerick. Mr John Maddox to be Editor of Nature from June 30, succeeding Dr David Davies, Mr Maddox, who is director of the Nuffield Foundation, was Editor of Nature from 1966 to 1973. Mr Colin Bracewell, aged 39, to be assistant to the general

of the services of the general manager of British Rail's London Midland Region, succeeding Mr Paul Watkinson, who becomes management services manager, London Midland Region. Mr John Morris to be Essex County Education Officer, succeed-ing Mr Jack Springert in March.

## Treasury accepts drawing in lieu of tax

By Geraldine Norman

and Miss F. D. Fox-Robinson
The engagement is announced
between Anthony, son of Mr.J. A.
Collard and the late Mrs Collard,
of 16 Watchbell Street, Rye.
Sussex, and Frances, daughter of
the Rev W. H. and Mrs FoxRobinson, of Boothby Hall,
Spilsby, Lincolnshire. One of the last Michelangelo drawings to have remained in private hands has passed into the possession of the Treasury. It is a sheet, with preparatory drawings on each side for Michelangelo's renowned fresco of The Last Judgement in the Sistine Chapel. Rome. It comes from the collection of Lord Methuen at Corsham Court, Wiltshire.

Hitherto unrecognized, it came to light in a portfolio of old drawto light in a portfolio of old drawlngs at Corsham just over 10 years
ago. The identification of the
drawing was made by MichaelHirst of the Courtauld Institute.
One side has a sketch of the angel
that appears striking one of the
damned at the top left of the
group of Seven Deadly Sins; the
other side is a sketch for the
deadly sin of lust.

The drawing is thought to have

and Miss I. M. Kinnier Wilson
The engagement is announced
between Nicholas John, only son
of Mr and Mrs John Burden, of
High Street, Gloucester, and
Isobel Margaret, daughter of the
late Dr Bruce Kinnier Wilson,
of Monks Hill, Brill, Buckinghamshire. The drawing is thought to have a market value of about £300,000 but it has cost the National Land Fund only £98,970 after deductions to compensate for capital gains tax and estate duty. It has been on loan to the British Museum since their Michelangelo exhibition in 1976. Mr R. W. Miller and Miss T. M. Peter The engagement is announced between Richard William Miller, of Vancopver, British Columbia, younger son of Mr Robert Miller, of Thunder Bay, Ontario, and Mrs Murray Handford, of Kelowna, British Columbia, and Tamsin Mary, younger daughter of Captain and Mrs Rex Peter, of Old Postings, Rogate, Petersfield, Hampshire.

1976.

The drawing is the second art work from Corsham to be acquired by the Treasury in the past 12 months. In July, 1979, it was announced that Adam Elsheimer's "Apollo and Coronis", a tiny oil painting on copper, had been accepted by the Treasury at a cost to the Land Fund of £52,375. Again, the market valuation before tax deducations was presumably about three times higher.

But those sums are a mere drop in the ocean as far as Corsham's in the ocean as far as Corsham's financial difficulties are concerned. The Methuens have been negotiating with the National Trust since 1946. Agreement on the terms of the transfer of the fine old house, its superb art collection, gardens and park to the Trust had virtually been reached just before the fourth Baron. just before the fourth Baron Methuen died in 1974. In 1978 the present baron made a revised offer; the house and park would pass to the Trust but

the contents would remain on loan. The Trust countered with their financial terms for taking the property, but so far there is no indication whether the money can be found.

It is believed the Trust would need about £50,000 for capital improvements and an endowment of around £500,000 to ensure the upkeep of the house. The trustees

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Preparatory sketch for Michelangelo's fresco of "The Last Judgement" from the Methuen Collection.

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believed to need about £600,000 for death duties.

The art collection was formed by Sir Paul Methuen (1672-1757), the son of a diplomat who concluded the famous Port Wine Treaty with Portugal in 1703. It is exceedingly rare for an eighteenth-century collection to have remained almost intact as has this one.

Part of the interest for the National Trust lies in preserving such an entity for posterity; the interest in the collection as an entity obviously decreases the more that is sold from it. The Corsham trustees seem to be left with the dilemma that to raise money for the endowment they must sell the collection—then there will be nothing left to endow.

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## Science report

## Anthropology: Cheyenne social structure

Analysis of United States government records is disclosing details of the social structure of the Southern Cheyenne Indians in the late nineteenth century. A study in progress at Oklahoma University shows how family units existed together in groups which were predominantly matrilocal, with families living near the wife's parents.

Dr. J. H. Moore, who reports

wife's parents.

Dr J. H. Moore, who reports some of his work in the current issue of Science, took advantage of the records resulting from the administration of the Dawes Act of 1887. That Act required American Indians to select their allotments of land within the tribal reservations and also provided them with annuities.

The Southern Chemones were

The Southern Cheyennes were allotted land in Oklahoma, and by 1892 they had selected 2,132 allotments of about 160 acres each, spread over four million acres.

On the basis of historical accounts and knowledge handed down to present day Cheyemes, Dr. Moore assumed that the members of extended families would have selected adjoining allotments.

have selected adjoining allotments and also taken their annuities together. They would therefore have been allocated closely spaced numbers in the relevant ledgers, now held by the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the United States Wational Archives. States National Archives.

Thus, he believed, an analysis of the ledger numbers would discontinued with genealogical inforclose family groupings. But

Using his knowledge of distances between allourents, combined with genealogical information collected by fieldworkers,

Cheyenne society at that time was also composed of political units of 200 to 800 people each, consisting of related family groups. The native name for such a unit was a manhao, although they have also been known inaccurately as bands. bands. bands.
The family groups within a manhao usually took their annulies together and chose adjoining allorments of land. So

aujoining anoments of land. So Dr Moore believed that the government ledgers should also hold clues to the organization of family groups within each manket. He made his analysis by looking for individuals by name in each of two ledgers, noting the numbers assigned to them in both cases.

ing families. Larger clusters that appeared represented groupings of families in each manhao.

Using an official map of the individual allotments as they were in 1892. Dr Moore was able to delineate the boundaries of each manhao. The provisional man that manhao. The provisional map that resulted was shown to some Cheyenne Indians knowledgeable in oral traditions. They confirmed that Dr Moore's boundaries represented those of the traditional manhao.

Using his knowledge of οĒ

Dr Moore has also been able to look at the pattern of residence among families.

In particular he took the question of whether the Cheyenne camp attacked during the Sand Creek massacre in 1864 was matrilocal or patrilocal, with couples settling near the wife's or husband's family. In the past, that presented a difficulty to scholars, and Dr Moore's calculations indicate that the society at that time was matrilocal.

Dr Moore believes that his methods will be useful not only for analysing relationships within Cheyenne society. Any society in which census or allotment records reveal consanguinity, affinity or political alliance would be open

assigned to them in both cases, reveal consangumity, affinity or He plotted those names as though they were points on a graph. As to such analysis, he added more individuals, closters of points appeared, representers of points appeared, representers of points appeared, represented by the points out that the assignment of land acotments has been appeared. especially common among tribal people administered by English-

speaking colonists There should be plenty of scope for future investigators. Source: Science, January 11 (207, 201; 1980). © Nature-Times News Service, 1980.

Through the deletion of part of the science report on malaria vaccination, on January 13, the final paragraph was incorrect. If developed successfully, all the possible vaccines discussed would protect the individual against malaria.

## Cathedral's sanctuary knocker restored

By Philip Howard Villains in the North of England will be reminded of an ancient tradition of refuge when the Sanctuary Knocker returns to Durham Cathedral today.

The knocker, in the shape of a bronze lion's head, was used in the early middle ages by fugitives from justice or revenge who wanted to gain asylum in the cathedral in a hurry.

The Conservation Department of the British Museum has been restoring it from the corrosion of more than nine cemuries, discovering in the process details of medieval metalwork unknown The knocker is too valuable,

and modern corrosion too lep-rous, to hang it again on the north door where it belongs. It will be mounted on an oak panel in the treasury, the only place in the cathedral which is secure and has a controlled atmosphere. An exact copy has been made by modern craftsmen to hang on the north door to give history to visitors and reminiscence of relicf to rogues. Canon Ronald Coppin, the chapter librarian, said yester-day: "It has been a difficult decision not to put the knocker back on the door, but it means that it will be kept for our child-ren and grandchildren, as it has been for us." been for us."
The sanctuary knocker was cast

in bronze, presumably at Durham, around 1140. The lion's head has a splendlid mane of tendrils radiating from behind the face, heart-shaped ears, and heavily marked eyebrows.

Own defence, or any prisoners that had broken out of prison and fled from coils and double loops. The

From The Times of Saturday, Jan 15, 1955

From Our Own Correspondent
New York, Jan 14.—President
José Ramón Guizado, who succeeded Colonel José Remón as
President of Panama after the
assassination of Colonel Remón at

assassination of Colonel Remón at Panama City on January 2, was reported today in an Associated Press dispatch from Panama to have said over the telephone that his residence had been surrounded by the National Guard. "I am under the impression that I am a prisoner", he said. He was further quoted as saying that his son José had been imprisoned. Hu said he had been told that the National Guard were surrounding

25 years ago

President held

The refurbished sanctuary knocker: but no hiding place for criminals.

handle is decorated with beasthend terminals swallowing the
pivot pin. It is a head to put the
fear of God into the law. The
knocker represents in three dimensions the beasts depicted in the
St Calals manuscripts.

The anonymous author of The
Rites of Durham described the
medieval practice: "The abbey
church and all the churchyard and
the circuit thereof was a sauctuary
for all manner of men that had
done or committed any great
offence, as killing of a man in bis
own defence, or any prisoners that

his house for his "protection", and he added that he had been unsuccessful in trying to reach the United States ambassador because

United States ambassador because to one was allowed to enter or leave his home. The investigators of the assassination of President Remón arrested some 20 persons today. All were identified as followers of Dr Arias, the former President, who was taken into custody soon after the assassination. Two persons arrested yesterday who were formedy cadets.

terday, who were formerly cadets at the polytechnic school of Guate-

mala, were said by the police to have been involved in the cadet

uprising in Guatemala City just after the victory of the anti-Communist revolutionary forces of Lieutenant-Colonel Carlos Castilo

Armas, now President of Guate-

rapping at it to have it opened."

The sanctuary knocker came into its own at night, when the church was locked, to wake the watchmen in the room over the north porch. Two blocked-up windows of that room can still be seen inside the cathedral above the north door.

A bell was tolled to let the

A bell was tolled to let the clitzens of Durham know that sanctuary had been claimed; the fugitive was admitted and he was tegrive was admirted and he was led to a railed-off alcove beneath the south-west tower, where he could sleep, be fed, and organize his affairs. He could decide either to stand trial, or to leave the country within 40 days from a named port, often Bartiepool. While in the cathedral precinct he wore a black gown with a large vellow cross on the left shoulder and on the way into exile he carried a white wooden cross before him.

In the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries the monks of Durham kept a record of the occasions when sanctuary was claimed about six a year. Murder was the most common crime noted; theft and debt are also mentioned in the record.

the record.

Of the 247 people who rapped with the great knocker between June, 1464 and September, 1524, 13 came from CO Durham, 47 from Northomberland, 12 from Cumber-land and Westmorland, no fewer than 109 from wild Yorkshire, and others from as far away as Surrey and Somerset.

Although the sanctuary knocker is home again. Canon Coppin is at pains to emphasize that its function today is purely historic and nostalgic.

#### Latest wills

Litutenant-General Sir Harry
Edward De Robillard Wetherall,
of Bagborough, Somerset, who
commanded the 11th African
Division in the 1941 Ethiopian
campaign, left £259,932 net.
Other estates include (net, before
tax paid, mx not disclosed):
Cobban, Miss Rosemary Celine,
of Crawford Street, west London,
£216,838
Controls Mr George Urban Leo-

Sartoris, Mr George Urban Leonard, of Church Street, Kensington 1936 to 1961. He had been for Lies, Sartoris, Mr Constance Anne, of Hyde Park Gardens, Westminster 1936 to 1961. He had been for Newark. In the First World War he ster 1934 to 1961. He had been for Newark. In the First World War he ster 1934 to 1961. He had been for Newark. In the First World War he sterved with great distinction with the 1st Battalion. Grenative dier Guards and the 2nd 1940, died on January 14. She Battalion. the Manchester was Rosemary, daughter of Winchester, surveyor 1945, and the MC with two bars.

Playwright and anthropologist Mr Robert Ardrey, the a Chance (1943), The Three American playwright, novelist and, latterly, anthropologist, died at his home in Cape Town (1966). and, latterly, anthropologist, died at his home in Cape Town

MR ROBERT ARDREY

died at his home in Cape 10wn on January 14. He was 71. Ardrey had begun life as a zoologist; he later turned playwright and screenwriter and also wrote some novels; and finally he returned to his scientific interests and produced some popular general works on anthropology. He also wrote two **B**Ovele Worlds Beginning (1944), and The Brotherhood of Fear (1952), but it was his later career as a writer on the evolution of human behaviour which brought him his reputation. Africa Genesis which appeared in 1961 was an immediate popular success, and with its discussion of man's animal inheritance, led to The Territorial Imperative (1966).

torial Imperative (1506).

The journalistic manner in which Ardrey approached his subject in these books could not please specialists, nevertheless they were based on a not inconsiderable knowledge of the orbital on his part, and the subject on his part, and their sheer readability brought him considerable success.

His other books were The Social Contract (1970) and The

Hunting Hypothesis (1976).
Ardrey's reawakened interest in anthropology had taken him to the scene of some of the Ardrey produced further plays including Shadow of Heroes (1958) and had also become a screenwriter in the 1940s, and wrote the scenarios for such films as They Knew What They Wanted (1940) The Lady Takes wald in 1960.

wald, in 1960. MAJOR A. B. MATTHEWS Constantinople for trial, when the Armistice was declared

the Armistice was declared.
Conditions of imprisonment had been such that he was invalided out of the Services.
He then married and emigrated to Canada in 1920, where he

farmed on Vancouver Island. There he founded, recruited and commanded the 62nd Field

Howitzer Battery RA, a mounted territorial unit aimed

#### P. A. M. writes

**OBITUARY** 

works on anthropology.

Robert Ardrey was born in Chicago on October 16, 1908, and graduated in zoology from

Chicago University in 1930. From zoology he turned to playwriting and produced a succession of plays in the 1930s,

Star Spangled (1936), Casey Jones (1938), How to Get Tough about It (1938) and Thunder Rock (1939), the last of which,

in particular, was a consider-able success in this country

where it was performed on a

number of occasions during the war and was seen as a BBC tele-vision play in 1955, after which it appeared to go out of fashion.

wrote the scenarios for such films as They Knew What They Wanted (1940), The Lady Takes

The death of Alec Bryan Matthews, DSO, OBE, MC, on December 29, 1979, aged 87, reduces still further the small reduces still further the small group of survivors of the siege of Kut and subsequent imprisonment at Yozgad in central Turkey during the 1914-18 war. Born in 1892, the eldest son of a serving officer, he went to Oundle before enlisting as a young officer cadet. He was commissioned in the Royal Engineers after training at Woolwich and in 1911 was posted to the 3rd Sappers and Miners at Bangalore.

Miners at Bangalore. His Company formed part of the Expeditionary force to Mesopotamia in 1914 sent to secure the Royal Navy's oil supplies. At the siege of Kut following the defeat at Ctesiphon, Alec Matthews, assisted by a Ghurka Officer and two soldiers, undertook to destroy a pontoon bridge over the Tigris under the eyes of the Turkish forces. For this act from which no survival was expected, both officers were recommended for the VC and awarded DSOs.

After the fall of Kut he was among the survivors who were kept prisoner of the Turks at Yozgad. He was involved in a number of escape plans and finally broke out himself in July 1918. He had prepared maps of the stars for route finding across the desert for

at combining military training and horsemanship. He thus achieved a rare double of having been commissioned both as a Sapper and a Gunner. He continued too his interest in games, and became the squash champion of British Columbia. Back in the United Kingdom in 1938 he joined Stewarts and Lloyds Limited and throughout the second world war was Manager and later General Manager of tube and shell pro-

Manager of tube and shell production plants in the Midlands and South Wates, for which service he was made OBE.

In 1947 he retired to Cornwall, where he turned to market gardening and indulged a lifelong interest in sailing and the sea. He was for many years Commodore of the St Mawes Sailing Club and was one of those who brought Falmouth regatta week up to its present status. In all his endeavours, as soldier, farmer, industrialist and sailor, he was a natural if sometimes forceful leader among men, who always finding across the desert for among men, who always others, and used these himself demanded more of himself than until recaptured and raken to of others.

Kostelanetz had been guest -

He also conducted a series

He commissioned a number . ..

of works from American com-

Philharmonic series of 125th

whom the piece was

What was vital was a strong

hand at the head of the new Indian Army — a man who could speak the local languages and had both the confidence of

Nehru and his Cabinet, more especially the difficult but able

Vallabhbhai Patel, and who elso had the confidence of the senior Indian officers and their

he had obtained these considences. With a firm hand on the Army, India regained stability in a comparatively short

he could not have served them better. The Indian government

certainly recognized his great services to them.

Roy was high in both stature and ability and within months he had obtained these confi-

Roy's service to both Bruand and India should be on record:

He was twice married and twice divorced. His first wife

Madia day

#### ANDRE KOSTELANETZ

Andre Kostelanetz, one of the most popular conductors in the conductor for many well-known United States, died on orchestras including the New January 13 while on a visit to York Philharmonic, with whom the appeared every year from the was born in St Petersburg, Russia, and was educated at the St. Peter's School and Choir at Orchestra; the Philadelphia St. Peter's School and Choir at Orchestra; and the Philadelphia St. Peter's School and Choir at Orchestra; and the Philadelphia St. Peter's School and Choir at Orchestra; in Tenders St Peter's School and Choir at Orchestra; and the Philthe St Petersburg Conservatory. He went to the United States

He also conducted a series

naturalized American six years in Central Park, New York, attended by hundreds of thousands of people. For many years he conducted his own radio symphony programme on the CBS network, his concerts attracting a very large body of admirers for his ability to offer arrangements of orchestral works dominated posers, like Aaron Copland, and Sir William Walton's William Capriccio Burlesco", his contribution to the New York anniversary commissions was performed in December 1968 by the New York orchestra under the baton of Kostelanetz

by a massive concentration of instrumental sonorities which were said to greatly influence the contemporary music writ-ten for films. He himself conducted the scores for many

During the second world war, he conducted military orchestras in North Africa and in the Italian war zone.

#### was Lily Pons, the singer. GENERAL SIR ROY BUCHER

dedicated.

men.

Air Marshal Sir Thomas Elmhirst writes:— May I add to your notice on the death of Roy Bucher. After Indian Independence in August 1947 and the departure of all British troops and airmen, Roy and I stayed on (sharing a house for some months) serving Mr Nehru's government as Commanders in Chief of his Army and Air Force. In the first few months it was no easy time for the

commanders.

The old Indian Army was no period with an Army capable of supporting its police and loyal to its government.

Roy's service to both Britain more, the Muslim element had crossed to Pakistan. There was no Union Jack, no King Emperor or Viceroy to whom to swear loyalty. Mutiny was in the air, communal troubles were rife and political troubles in the non-accorded States of

new armed forces and their

in the non-acceded States of Kashmir and Hyderabad.

#### MR MICHAEL REYNOLDS

mer BBC war correspondent and journalist, died at his home in Norwich on January 6. He was 72. Michael Reynolds was the son

of the noted Punch artist, Frank Reynolds, and he trained at the Slade with Claude Rogers and William Coldstream. He left the Euston Road Group, however, in the early 1930s and however, in the early 1930s and went into journalism by way of the BBC, first as a public relations assistant in Manchester and, when the war began in 1939, with the radio newsroom in London.

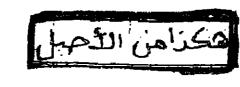
There his great knowledge of military history and tactics—

VERY REV W. KAY The Very Rev William Kay, then DSO, MC, who died on January 6 at the age of 85, was Provost of Blackburn Cathedral from 1936 to 1961. He had been Rural Dean of Bolsover and, later of Newark

Mr Michael Reynolds, a for-mer BBC war correspondent and journalist, died at his home in Norwich on January 6. He ism in the warting news bulletins. He saw warfare in practice as a BBC correspondent in Italy. In his later years with the Corporation he wrote and edited the radio obituary notices and, despite the need for brevity, gave them the scholarly and literary graces which were part of him.

Reynolds was more than 6 feet 4 inches tall, lean and powerful yet be was the gentlest of men—one of those who helped to build the BBC's reputation in the Golden Age of Radio.

Mr H. W. ("Bob") Cartington, MBE, Days News Editor of the Press Association for nearly 16 years before his retirement in 1974, has died at his home in St Albans. He was



## THETIMES **BUSINESS NEWS**



- Stock markets FT Ind 441.7, down 4.1. FT Gilts 68.05, up 0.22.
- Sterling \$2.2775, up 15 points.

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- Index 72.0, up 0.6. **阿** Dollar
- Index 84.9, up 0.5. **■** Gold
- \$687.5 an ounce, up \$31.
- 3-month money Inter-bank 1611 to 1611. Euro-\$ 1476 to 1411.

#### -IN BRIEF

## Inflation in Israel at record 111 per cent

reached a record 111.4 per cent. more than double the previous year's it was revealed yesterday by the Central Bureau of Statistics in Jerusalem.

· But economic planners were heartened somewhat by the index for December rose by only 8.1 per cent compared with 9.5 per cent in November.

#### Director resigns

Mr Graham Palmer, divisional chairman and main board direc-tor of the international com-modity brokers Gill & Duffus resigned from the group after Testigned from the group after what 25 years yesterday after what Mr Thomas Aitken, the Ameri-can chamman, described as "bifference of personalities". Mr Palmer did not have a contract, but Mr Aitken said sever-ance pay was being discussed.

#### \$420m loan signed

Despite recent uncertainty about Comecon debt a \$420m loan to Yugoslavia was signed in London yesterday. It will be used to refinance, on improved terms, existing Yugoslav credits, terms, existing Yugoslav credits, and was signed by a consortium of Yugoslav banks with a syndicate of 38 international banks. The loan carries a margin of § per cent over the London Interbank offered rate with a final repayment after approximately 10 years.

#### **BP Shetland plan**

BP Petroleum Development doubled pound scheme to back industry in the Shetland Islands—site of terminal operated by the company. The plan could involve purchasing equity in either new or existing industrial projects, with investments up to E3m for each project.

#### Iran warns Japan

Mr Ali Akbar Moinfar, Iran's oil minister has told Mr Tsutoma Wada, the Japanese ambassador in Iran that Iran would be forced to suspend oil shipments to Japan if it joined in the United States' proposed sanctions against Iran, according to the Japanese news agency

#### JCB's India deal

JCB Excavator Company of Rochester, Staffs, is to start production outside Britain for the first time. A deal has been signed with an Indian company to produce JCB earth movers at a factory near Delhi. A spokes-man for JCB said the plan would help overcome import difficulties with India.

#### Big Mexico oil strike

Mexico's state oil company Pemex announced discovery of a new field in the south-east of the country with a calculated 1,500 million barrels of

#### Wall Street higher

Wall Street stocks closed higher in heavy trading. The Dow Jones industrial average rose 5.03 to 868.60. Turnover slightly to 52.32 million shares. Against the SDR the dollar was 1.32269 and the pound 0.573043.

## Gold price breaks \$700 barrier in New York as buying surge continues

By Caroline Atkinson in London and Frank Vogl in Washington

The price of gold soared above \$700 per ounce for the first time yesterday, rising more than \$45 to close at \$712.50 in New York.

In London the price leapt by \$31 an ounce to close at \$687.50 and all over the world bullion dealers reported a return to recent hectic scenes as inves-tors scrambled to buy.

It was the announcement that the United States government does not plan any official gold sales that took the New York price well above the 5700 level. Mr William Miller, secretary to the Treasury, said official sales "do not seem appropriate" at the moment.

the moment.

Mr Miller attributed the high gold price to unsettled inter-national conditions and the desire by some people to place their money in a more trans-portable asset.

Some experts believed the

Secretary was pointing to the evident desire of some investors to realize cash as quickly as possible from oil assets and shift it, in the form of gold, to safe havens outside the politi-cally unsettled Middle East. There was clear evidence of an increase in Middle East demand and there has been virtually no profit taking by Middle East gold holders, just continual

buying.
In London, the latest surge in price was also caused by the mounting international tension over Iran and Afghanistan It is going on almost independently of movements in the world's currency markets, which have been relatively quiet over the past week.

Indeed the dollar yesterday strengthened markedly against other major currencies, except the pound, despite the enormous demand for gold. In the past the gold price has tended to rise as the dollar's value falls.

The difference this time is that investors are frightened of political instability rather than primarily financial instability. No currency is a good hedge

**UK** trade

deficit has

balance last month was offset

by an improvement on other

erratic items such as ships, aircraft and precious stones.

In 1979 Britain's oil balance

was £804m in the red, a sharp improvement from the £2,022m

in 1978. A deterioration with regard to other goods ate up all the benefit, however. The

non-oil balance turned from a £529m surplus in 1978 into a £2.429m deficit last year.

Iran and Nigeria both cut

back their imports from Britain last year. Together they bought £1,000m less from the United Kingdom than in 1978.

Towards the end of the year

the Nigerian market was pick-ing up again. Exports in the

latter part were between £70m and £80m a month compared with £26m in April.

with E25m in April.

However, the damage to the Iranian market for British goods is likely to last much longer. Exports to Iran totalled £80m in the last quarter of 1979, well down on the £195m in the fourth quarter of 1972

in the fourth quarter of 1978.

last year were the worst, because of the lorry drivers' strike. The £535m deficit in

the last three months was much

smaller than earlier in the

But the underlying figures

show that trade in the final quarter was substantially

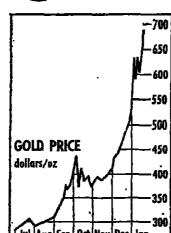
volumes on this basis were 1;

factured imports rose by 6 per

cent between the two quarters.

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The first three months of



How the London gold price

against political tension in the way that gold is.
Ironically, some of yester-day's demand for dollars was thought to result from the leap in the gold price. Dealers were buying up dollars to finance their purchases of gold.

The late surge in demand for

the dollar yesterday could also have been due to some short covering by market men who had sold dollars earlier. The American currency rose to DM1.7280 and to Swiss francs 1.593 at the close in London.

Sterling was strong yesterday morning, continuing Monday's upward trend. Overseas buyers of gilts are thought to have made substantial pur-

chases recently.

At one point the pound topped \$2.29 and there were market rumours that if it went above \$2.30 it could rise rapidly higher. But the dollar's late revival meant that teaching dropped by the close sterling dropped by the close to \$2.2775, which was 15 points above Monday's close. However, the pound held on to its gains against European currencies. Its trade weighted index rose by 0.6 yesterday to 72 per cent of its end-1971 value.

High interest rates in London and the influence of North Sea

oil seem to be behind the pound's recent strength. In average terms it is now back to its value of late August, before the abolition of exchange con-

trols.
The Bank of England was thought to have been in the market yesterday to hold down the pound but the Government is opposed to intervention on any large scale.

This may be one reason why
the pound has tended to rise

more against the dollar than other major currencies whose governments are intervening in the foreign exchange markets.
Sterling's strength belies
recent rumours of large switching of Middle East funds out of London. The Iranian govern-ment has said that it wants to take its money out of Britain but there have been conflicting market reports about whether this is actually happening. It certainly seems that other Opec countries have not been countries have not been frightened away from the City because of the Iranian crisis.

The British Government has The British Government has, along with those of other major western countries, steadfastly refused to participate in the American freeze of Iranian assets because of the damage this would do to banking business. Western governments are now considering whether to impose any financial sanctions on Iran in the absence of United Nations backing. There seems to be growing doubt about the wisdom of such

The world's financial markets are now dominated by interna-tional political developments and the gold price seems set to stay high for as long as the Iranian and Afgbanistan crises

remain unresolved.

It is now \$161 an ounce higher than at the end of 1979 and \$64 higher than before the weekend. The price rose by \$300 an ounce during the whole of last year.
Silver reached record levels at the morning bullion fixing vesterday. "Spot" gained

yesterday. "Spot" gained 163.60p per troy ounce to 1919.70p and three months went 172.60p ahead to 1954.70p.

## US undecided on how to impose sanctions

From Frank Vogl Washington, Jan 15

The Carter Administration impose economic sanctions on

No regulations have been approved to prevent exporters concluding deals with private Iranians and no rulings have been made to halt private Iranian transactions with American banks.

A Treasury official suggested that detailed decisions on when to implement sanctions in the private commercial field on private commercial field on Iran may not be taken until top State Department officials return here from consultations in Europe. "The fact is that the effect of unilateral sanctions by us is not going to be very big, and there is no doubt about it that we need the cooperation of the allies", the official said.

Mr. Warren Christopher, the

Mr Warren Christopher, the Mr Warren Christopher, But Deputy Secretary of State and Mr Richard Cooper, the Under-Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, are both in Europe now discussing cooperative actions with America's allies. "We are

with America's allies. "We are just technicions here and we don't know what is being planned", another Treasury official said today.

Officials even admirted that they have no idea of the sort of volume of American-Iranian trade and financial transactions that could be involved should that could be involved should little indication the Administration decide to force a halt in all business dealings with Iran. "The figure is bound to be well below a cratic difficulties,

\$1,000m", a Treasury official

Another official said continhas not yet decided how to gency plans existed but it was implement its declared plan to a sensitive area and decisions were being considered at the senior level of the Administra-

It is all too easy here to gain an impression of confusion. Businessmen with contracts and deals with Iran are unable to obtain any clarification from the government on how the White House announcement of sanctions will affect them.
"There will have to be some grace period to permit com-pletion of some deals in the pipeline, and to allow for the unwinding of some transactions before sanction regulations are imposed", an official added.

The mounting use by President Carter of economic weapons in his diplomatic strategies is increasing business uncer-tainties. Often it appears that the White House has not fully considered all the technical ramifications of its economic policy announcements on the Iranian and Soviet fronts.

There are some indications by officials here that foreign governments are being, more cautious for these reasons about rushing to announce actions of their own to support the United States economic offen-

The White House has given little indication that it has considered the domestic costs and problems for business, as well as the considerable bureau-

## Lesney Products to make about one-third of workforce redundant at toy factories

Against a background redundancy talks at the Mec-cano factory in Liverpool Lesney Products, the largest United Kingdom toy group, is making redundant 1,275 em-ployees out of a total workforce of 7,500. A number of part-time evening workers is also going, bringing redundancies to around 2,000.

Talks with the four unions involved continued all day yesterday, and Mr Paul Tapscott, chairman, said that great efforts were being made to explain the position. "We are all feeling very sick", he said. "The atmo-sphere at our factories is funereal."

Few of those to be made redundant are understood to have been on the payroll for many years; and the total redundancy cost is put at only £1.1m or so, with no more than about £1,500 for each worker. Total bank borrowings are understood to be around £28m,

but the chairman stresses that the group is still operating well within bank facilities. However, these borrowings will have played their part in

wiping out profits on annual sales of more than £100m.

Interest on them had soared from £366,000 to £1.62m in the six months to mid-July, and for the full year to January 31 it was feared could be up to £5m.

Lesney has been hit this year by the jump in VAT to 15 per cent; the ITV strike which hamstrung key advertising for Christmas; inflation; dearer loans; and the strength of sterling—a bad blow for a group exporting 85 per cent of output.

The Harrogate trade fair has only just opened, but attendances are down. To come is the exhibition at Earl's Court in a fortnight, and, possibly the most important, the trade fair at Nuremburg a month later.

Christmas also seems to have been subdued, with toy retailers fearful of holding big stocks when they are paying their banks heavily to carry them. Lesney's main toy factory is at Hackney Marsh, but it has other at Rochford, in Essex, and Harold Hill, in Essex.

Redundancies and streamlin-ing of production will cut

manufacturing capacity by around one fifth. The staff around one lifth. The staff market. Apart from the prob-level has already been run lems of Lesney and Meccano down in the key United States (part of Airfix), John Wadding-market and the unprofitable ton last week announced big

On the Stock Exchange the shares slipped 2p to 28p—a new 1979-80 low. The high was 89p. It is thought unlikely that Les-ney will pay a final dividend, and the intention, auditors permitting, is to write off the redundancy provisions against

this year's figures. Last June the chairman reported "ingredients for a much better profit performance", but October brought a slump in half-time results from £3.4m to £493,000 and a boardroom reorganization.

In 1976-77 Lesney saw pre-tax profits as high as £10.2m, but it is no stranger to

adversity. In 1970-71 it suffered pre-tax losses of £1.1m after the big United States group, Mattel, which was itself to fall on hard times, temporarily seized the world market for die-cast toys

Lesney cannot, it seems expect any quick improvement in trading. A price war is feared as retailers unload Christmas stocks, and imports already account for one third of the toy



Mr Paul Tapscott: " We are all feeling very sick."

losses in its "Videomaster" electronic games subsidiary. Sit-in to continue: The Meccano workers have voted to continue their occupation at least until the end of February, when the statutory 90 days closure notice runs out.

Hill Samuel

sells stake

in German

subsidiary

Banking Correspondent

Hill Samuel, the merchant

banking group with important

insurance and ship broking

interests, is selling a majority

stake in its Frankfurt banking

subsidiary to Credit Commercial

de France (CCF) for an esti-mated £4m.

CCF, a French private sector

deposit bank with an extensive European network, is to acquire an 80 per cent holding in Hill Samuel & Co OHG, Frankfurt, a partnership bank with capital and reserves of DM 20.2m (£5.2m). The price has been fixed at 80 per cent of the net asset value which is expected to raise at least £4m.

By Ronald Pullen

#### Dresdner **Carpets International** Bank chief to lead

**AEG** rescue From Darrell Delamaide

Berlin, Jan 15 Shareholders beleaguered AEG-Telefunken tonight gave a near-unanimous mandate to Dresdner Bank chief executive Herr Hans Friderichs to oversee the rescue plan for the electrical giant.
Following his election to the board, Herr Friderichs was expected to become chairman in the constitutive assembly of the new board scheduled to follow the shareholders' meet-

ing.
The initial board meeting was also to consider the selection of a successor to AEG chief executive Herr Walter Cipa, who announced his resignation last month.

last month.

The election of Herr Friderichs and two others to the board capped a 13-hour extraordinary shareholders' meeting which approved financial restructuring measures announced last month, including an equity write-off of two-thirds and an injection of Dm 930 million in fresh capital.

The occasionally unruly The occasionally unruly members, representing 63.5 per cent of AEG capital, gave the management's plan an over-whelming approval of nearly

By Kenneth Owen

Technology Editor

Short-term ordering decisions by individual government de-

partments and agencies may threaten the future export pros-

pects of British electronics com-panies, Mr Frank Chorley, man-

aging director of Plessey Elec-

Speaking in London, Mr Chorley said that the danger was that orders might be placed with foreign companies which

with foreign companies which would offer the cheapest imme-diate solution but which would damage the credibility of UK companies in export markets

generally.

The wider implications of con-

tract awards, including the effect on employment in United

Kingdom companies over the next 10 years, should be con-sidered before decisions were

taken, he argued.
Mr Chorley's general argument was based on his view of three current public-sector orders for which Plessey Radar

is bidding. One is for 10 radars, worth between £10m and £20m, for air traffic control in

#### chief steps down been patchy over the past decade, peaking £7.9m in 1973. Mr Arthur Whitehead,

£30,000-a-year chief executive of Carpets International has resigned from Britain's biggest carpets group on medical advice. The sudden departure of the

55-year-old former accountant, whose contract still had four years to run, follows his three years as the highest paid director at Carpets International. Mr James Carpenter, the group's chairman, said: "We shall deeply miss his services.

He gave rirelessly. But it has been a beastly year, one of the most difficult I can remember, and the pressure has been tremendous. "We have two main centres and Mr Whitehead tried to straddle between them. He

used to cover around 60,000 miles a year, which is the way he wanted to do the job, but that caused a high degree of "We offered him an alterna-

Mr Whitehead's departure comes two weeks after the com-pany's year end. Carpets Inter-Company News, page 20 national's profits record has director.

According to Mr Chorley, the

According to Mr Chorley, the favoured company to get this order is Westinghouse of the United States, which has put in a bid at a "very competitive price". The specification laid down by the Civil Aviation Authority was a very difficult one, he added.

Plessey and GEC-Marconi had

collaborated to put in a joint bid for the air traffic control

order. If this order went to a foreign company ir would damage the credibility of the UK radar companies quite generally, despite the fact that this was a very specialized application.

A possible immediate advantage to the Civil Aviation Authority of perhaps £2m would put at risk overseas orders worth £200m a year for Plessey and Marconi in the future.

Secondly, a substantial series of orders for Nato radars, for between 60 and 70 units, included a first order which would be for a station in the United Kingdom.

Plessey warning on buying policies

application.

This year the City reckons the company will be lucky to make £1.8m, against £4.5m last time, and only then with the help of its Australian operation.

At the halfway stage profits fell from £1.38m to £670,000 with an increased half-time dividend to 1.75p which was barely covered. This time the City believes the final pay-out may be cut or even passed and the balance sheet will show increased borrowings. creased borrowings. Mr Carpenter said: "I will

make no comment on dividends at all. Our balance sheet will show that borrowings will be higher than the £3.4m over-drafts in 1978, but it is now under control." The shares—which virtually

halved overnight last September and then hit a 23p floorrose 2p to 31p, capitalizing the group at just over £7m with a net asser backing of 160p a

Replacing Mr Whitehead will be two committees, one headed by Mr Carpenter and including the managing directors of the five main United Kingdom sub-sidiaries, and the other comprising Mr Carpenter, Mr John Crossley, vice-chairman, and Mr William Trow, financial

The Ministry of Defence had opted for Nato funding for this and other radars, and since the

bidding was now subject to the open-tendering rules of Nato the danger was that if this first station went to a foreign com-

pany the prospects for United Kingdom firms in later bidding

would again be jeopardized. Thirdly, there was the United

Kingdom radar network known as UKADGE (United Kingdom Air Defence Ground Environment), where a similar situation

ment), where a similar situation existed—although in this case the Plessey and Marconi companies were associated with the American Hughes organization. The Civil Aviation Authority said last night that a decision was expected shortly on the choice of contractor for the air reffic central radar equipment.

traffic control radar equipment.
Tenders had been invited and
received from companies in
Britain, continental Europe and

the United States.
The decision to go out to

international tender, a CAA spokesman said, was taken last

year after separate bids by Plessey and by Marconi had been judged unacceptable.

## Originally set up as a commercial bank in 1968, it expanded into trade finance with the opening of a Hamburg branch in 1973. The West German operation is small comman. pared with the rest of the Hill Samuel group.

to raise at least £4m.

Total deposits at the end of balance sheet footings of £83m compare with the Hill Samuel group's total of £1,400m. The loss of earnings is also not expected to be "material".

Explaining the withdrawal, Hill Samuel said it would have had to inject too much capital to support its planned expansion. Mr Richard Lloyd, a deputy chairman of the mer-chant bank, added last night that the funds could be better used elsewhere in the group's overseas operations.

Hill Samuel's move comes only a few weeks after another merchant bank, Kleinwort Benson, decided on a major expansion in West Germany because of the need to serve the interests of its corporate customers better and the growing importance of the Deutschemark as a reserve currency.

The Frankfurt subsidiary figured heavily in Hill Samuel's lengthy dispute with the West German authorities over the Herstatt collapse, Hill Samuel sued the federal authorities through its Frankfurt operation, but subsequent court rulings overturned previous decisions that Hill Samuel should receive some 22.6m damages because of the central bank's failure to halt a foreign exchange trans-action even though it knew the Herstaut bank had collapsed.

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### Reorganization means loss of 900 jobs in attempt to streamline production and improve quality control

## quarter was substantially worse than between July and September. Once erratic items such as ships and diamonds are excluded there was a £278m deterioration in the trade balance between the third and fourth quarters of 1979. Export volumes on this basis were 1: Mullard tunes in to the realities of colour television tube market per cent down, while imports were unchanged overall. Manu-

Mullard, a Philips subsidiary and the only producer of colour television picture tubes based in the United Kingdom, is streamlining its tube business, though at a cost of 900 jobs, over the next two years.

Mullard's decision affects
production of tubes at its factories in Durham and Simonstone, Lancashire, and is in line with trends in the television components industries

The company's reorganization reflects the need for fur-ther automation and the maintenance of high quality control in production. And it is an essential step along the road towards meeting such market demands as new electronic products in the home incorporating television-like tubes. NEDO's consumer electronics

production costs of colour television sets in the United Kingdom, Japan, South Korea and West Germany.

The study showed that the Japanese industry gained a big cost advantage from its high level of investment in advanced.

A section of the Mullard factory at Durham where phosphor dots are applied to colour tubes.

have been made possible by the high throughput of sets which

(c) to introduce more vanced production and quality control procedures; (d) to redesign existing products and introduce a new

development. this background, Mullard has decided first of all

(b) increasingly to involve ex- that it intends to stay in the ising Japanese technology; tube business, despite large losses in recent years, caused mainly by intense and increasing price competition and aggra-vated by the recent fall in the value of the yen and the dollar against the pound.

the best use of the production capacity at its plants and im-

prove the utilization of all its resources. Hence the decision to concentrate tube component manufac-ture at Simonstone, together with the glass activities; and tube processing and finishing at Durham. Simonstone will contime to produce the company's Colourex reprocessed tubes for

replacement purposes. Over a two-year period, the number of jobs at the two factories will fall from 2,100 to 1,400 at Simonstone and from 1,350 to 1,150 at Durham. Only about 100 of these jobs are expected to go during 1980.

Mullard says it intends to continue to invest "substantially" in the picture tube business. Production will be increased to 1,500,000 tubes a year, divided between 28-inch and 22-inch sizes. Between them, these two sizes represent more than 75 per cent of the United Kingdom market, and both are exported by Mullard in high volumes to Europe.

The increased productivity at the two plants will be achieved essentially by the continued introduction of automated methods of production—but not robots, according to a company

Kenneth Owen

## PRICE CHANGES Movitex 2p to 20p Northgate Explor 150p to 610p SA Land 60c to 685c UC Invest 60c to 960c Western Areas 95c to 905c

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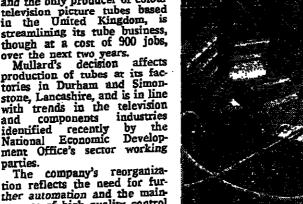
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and highly automated producrion technology, superior set designs in terms of manufacturing efficiency, and insistence on high levels of quality in the components used.

This leads to greater reliabi-lity of finished products, but also to cost savings at plants because of fewer rejects and less need for fault-finding and correction.

is typical of Japanese factories. Hence the strategy for the industry drawn up by the NEDO (a) to rationalize United Kingdom television production into

larger-scale plants (perhaps producing about 500,000 units a year instead of the present average of about 100,000);

range of products; (e) to do more research and

To make the business profit able, Mullard will have to make



## China joins international fund to aid agriculture

China has joined the Inter-national Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), the two-year-old United Nations agency which channels funds mainly from the OECD and Opec countries on highly concessional terms to poorer nations of the Third World. The Soviet Union is not a member.

The fund faces the problem of replenishing its resources, as

at the present rate of lending most of the \$1,059m with which it started will be exhausted by the end of this year. Mr Leopold Senghor, President of Senegal, addressing the annual meeting in Rome of its governing council which lasts till Friday, called for a substantial replenishment of its resources.

For the fund to be effective, be said lending should increase. he said, lending should increase at a rate above that of world inflation. He denounced "the immense waste involved in the huge and unreasonable expen-diture on armaments" now

under way.

During the last two years

IFAD has lent about \$500m for 33 projects to benefit the rural poor in Asia, Africa and Latin America, and plans to provide another \$400m for 30 new projects this year.

#### Working hours cut

Talbot has announced cuts in working hours in France be-tween January 21 and April 30, in the light of a probable sales drop in Western Europe, The working day will be reduced by 90 minutes from Monday to Thursday. Production will cease completely on six days during the period. The reduction affects all French factories ex-cluding foundries and will con-cern 22,000 workers.

#### Citroën orders study

Automobiles Citroën, one of the car manufacturing arms of the PSA Peugeot-Citroën Group, is now under way." says in Paris it has asked Nissan Motor Company of Japan to carry out a study on the adaptation of car engines made in France to comply with Japanese

#### Price growth slowed

Consumer prices in the 24 member countries of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development rose by 0.7 per cent on average in November, down from a growth of 1 per cent in October.

#### Fewer Danes jobless

Denmark's seasonally adjusted unemployment declined slightly in November to 140,200 or 5.3 from its workforce and the per cent of the labour force from 5.4 per cent in October and 7.1 per cent in November

#### \$2,300m coffee exports

Brazil exported 12 million bags of coffee in 1979 for earn-ings of \$2,300m (about £1,022m), the government cof-fee agency, IBC said in Rio de Janeiro. The figures confirmed readjusted IBC forecasts made after a June frost that reduced this year's coffee harvest by 7

#### US bank clearances

In an effort to reduce "float" in its cheque clearing system, the United States Federal Reserve Board has announced that it is instructing Federal Reserve banks to develop procedures to sort out cheques of \$250,000 or more for special handling to speed up collections.

#### Gold output down

South Africa's gold output during 1979 totalled 22,613,066 ounces, down slighty from 22,649,496 ounces in 1978, according to figures released by the Chamber of Mines in Johannesburg.

#### Canada unemployment

Canadian seasonally adjusted unemployment fell to 7.1 per cent in December from 7.3 per cent in November, compared with 8.1 per cent in December

#### Cement joint venture

RPC Technical Services, a subsidiary of Rugby Portland Cement, and Seltrust Engineering, have formed an Anglo-French joint venture to act as consultant to the Philippines cement industry until 1987. The third member of the group is Société des Ciments Français. Offices have been established in Manila.

#### Import prices rise

The West German import price index rose 1.3 per cent in November 1979 to 174.4, base 1970, a 20.3 per cent year-on-year rise, the Federal Statistics Office said.

#### Oil sales to Italy

Saudi Arabia may reconsider saudi Arabia may reconsider oil sales to Italy's state oil company, ENI, suspended last December, once investigations into commission payments by ENI are concluded, Signor Francesco Cossiga, the Italian Prime Minister, said in Rome.

#### Strong capital outflow

of Spillers.

Mr L. J. O'Leary has been made deputy managing director of Business Publications. Mr W. A. Cathless continues as managing director. Mr A. S. Johnson has joined the boards of Associated Business Programmes and AGB Conference Services. Other appointments at Business Publications include: Mr A. Salter as special projects director and Mr D. Bladon as financial controller.

Mr G. W. Downs has been made as director of the Fire Protection Association.

Mr S. R. D. Fanshawe has director of the Eire Protection as director of the Fire Protection as director of the Fire Protection as director of the Fire Protection Association.

Mr S. R. D. Fanshawe has director, crude oil supply, of the petroleum products group of Phillips Petroleum.

Mr Ian Leith has been appointed to the board of Charles Fulton (Deposits).

Mr Philip Porter and Mr Garry Southern have been made execusive. A strong outflow on private capital account put Australia's balance of payments in deficit in December, according to preliminary estimates by the Statistics Bureau in Canberra.

Car makers pay less as speculators fight it out for precious metals

## The two tiers of platinum pricing

New York, Jan 15.-Platinum, a key part of car pollutioncontrol devices, currently sells in the free market for more than twice what it cost a year Yet carmakers have watched its price soar to \$812.40 on ounce without blinking an

"We feel insulated from wild price fluctuations explained Mr Jack Dinan, a spokesman for General Motors. There is a reason for such imperturbability. Platinum has two prices and the rise and fall in speculation prices has no effect on lative prices has no effect on the platinum used in pollution-reducing catalytic converters,

**BL** starting

new dealers

BL's controversial £2m "Buy British" campaign initially

British" campaign, initially aimed at new car buyers, has now been directed at dealers.

The company is trying to tempt new dealers, including those

BL, which already has the

well as to boost the confidence of others and expand into areas

where it does not have sales

Overseas Operations and the company's top salesman, during

a speech at a Motor Agents' Association dinner in Man-

He said: "BL wants to back

Britain's motor trade. But if you, the trade, want to buy British, come and talk to us and

that invitation is equally extended to those at present holding an importer's franchise."

well served in many areas, he said; but there were other places, particularly in the rural

communities, where they might not be fully represented.

Calling on the car trade to join BL "to see if we can help each other", Mr Ball added: "We are determined that the

Last year, BL lost more than 90 out of a total of 2,000 dealers,

many of them taking on fran-

chises for European groups. Companies such as Volkswagen, Peugeot and, in particular, Renault, have been attempting

-with some success—to in-crease their United Kingdom

In some cases, the big dealerships have tried to cusbion the effects of any fur-

ther deterioration of BL sales by converting a few of their showrooms to sell foreign cars.

It is this dual franchising that

Government, is hoping for one

optimistic and expanding sales

Car dealers generally have

had a lean time in recent

months. Despite record new

car sales for 1979, high interest rates began to hit the trade in

the automo and to maintain cash flow, many dealers have been selling at big discounts.

A close observer of the trade said yesterday: "It is vital that

BL maintains a strong, efficient and powerful dealer network. But flag-waving patriotism is not

necessarily the way in which BL will get out of its problems.

If you attack a customer's choice, he will defend it."

Expansion of a new management group to include timplate operations was announced by the British Steel Corporation

last night as part of an overall reorganization of the corpora-tion's divisional structure.

BSC Tinplate is to become a major part of BSC Holdings, whose formation was announced

early last month, and which

will operate from the beginning of next month as a man-agement group comprising most of BSC's profit centres which

are at present managed within existing manufacturing divi-

**Business appointments** 

Industrial Editor

BL now wants to stamp out,

dealer chains.

outlets.

By Edward Townsend

drive for

Engelhard Minerals and Chemicals which makes converters for General Motors, Ford, Volvo of Sweden and other car

makers.

Most industrial users of platinum, including the car com-panies, buy their metal directly from producers at prices far below the free market price. The world's two largest plati-num producers, South Africa's Rustenberg Platinum Mines and Impala Platinum Mines, cur-rently sell the metal for \$420 an ounce, barely balf the free market price and only 12 per cent higher than a year ago. Despite the big difference

would cause industries to quicken their search for substitutes, something produ-cers worry about "all the time", says Mr Derek Dumenil, director of Johnson Matthey,

the London-based marketing agent for Rustenberg. So far, no effective substirutes have been found for the metal, which is also used as a catalyst in chemical industries well as in electronics and

Normally, platinum's, two-

producers believe they have But since 1978 the fever that good reason for seemingly propelled gold and silver prices giving the stuff away. They to unprecedented heights has fear that massive price boosts swept platinum sharply higher. to unprecedented heights has swept platinum sharply higher. At the beginning of this week soaring gold and silver prices helped to drive platinum \$65.90 higher to \$812.40 an ounce for delivery this month on the New York mercantile exchange.

Of course, producers have gradually increased their price in the past year. But Mr Dumenil says that only a "steady and sustainable" free market price increase would induce the South Africans to raise their prices substantially.

—AP-Dow Jones.

## Car anti-pollution controls could 'send petrol consumption soaring'

A warping to the governments of Western Europe that tougher anti-pollution laws could send the petrol consumption of cars "soaring" was given last night by Sir Barrie Heath, president of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders (SMMT).

selling imported cars, into the BL fold. National schemes to reduce consumption could be en-dangered by the introduction of largest car dealer network in the country, is clearly keen to stem the defections from its ranks of dissatisfied dealers as more severe regulations or further reductions of the level o; lead in petrol, Sir Barrie said.

Speaking on the eve of the Brussels Motor Show, Sir Bar-rie said it was up to Europe's The first hint of a new dealership drive came last night from Mr Tony Ball, managing director of BL European and motor industries to persuade governments and EEC poli-ticians to reconsider their pollution control plans.

"There are nations which are already burning up to 15 or 20 per cent more fuel in their cars than is necessary due to excessively severe and environmentally unjustifiable exhaust emission legislation", he said. Investment in the engineering manpower and cash resources needed to meer such legislation could be better used in designing more economical, safer, longer-lasting and more reliable vehicles. Fuel costs alone would make motoring more expensive for all and

raise manufacturing costs. Sir Barrie said it was essential to reappraise priorities for the 1980s if people everywhere were to continue benefiting from the freedom of movement offered by the car and lorry.



Sir Barrie Heath: call for re-think on pollution controls

The 1973 oil crisis had been followed by rash forecasts that the industry was doomed but within three to four years car sales were back to record levels simply because there was no suitable ofternative for business or leisure use. Today such al-ternatives were even more re-

The SMMT expected world car demand in the next 10 years to rise by nine million units to more than 40 million a year. Amual truck output would rise about 10 per cent

Sir Barrie predicted that the west European car market alone would rise from about nine million in 1980 to 12 million in 1990 and the west European vehicle population was expected to grow from 100 million now to about 135 million by. 1990.

He said that in Britain, as in most European countries, a fall in car sales was likely this year, partly as a result of energy price rises and partly because of the wider economic reces-

## Industry criticizes £1.5m direct labour contract

By John Huxley Civil engineering leaders have made a strong protest to the Government deploring the decision of South Yorkshire County Council to award a £1.5m roads contract to its own direct labour department.

The decision showed " flagrant disregard on the part of the council for the need to secure good value for ratepayers' and taxpayers' money ". Mr Michael Noar, external affairs director of the Federation of Civil Fogineering Contractors from the car-buying public and now wants backing from an

His criticism comes at a time when the Government is seeking to introduce legislation curbing the activities of direct labour organizations.

In a letter to Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment, Mr Noar says that the Labour-dominated council advertised the contract for part of the Sheffield outer ring road, Jordanthorpe to Hol-linsend Road, in the official journal of the European Community.

Contractors who responded to an invitation to submit tenders were told that the original intention to seek competitive bids had been abandoned and

The timplate operation is the largest of these profit centres in terms of turnover and employees, and is based in South

Wales with plants at Trostre, Velindre and Ebbw Vale. Last year the riuplate activities of

the BSC recorded a turnover of £382m, well over half of

the total turnover of BSC Holdings which last year amounted to £700m.

BSC opened a new £57m tin-

plate works at Ebbw Vale 18 months ago, and an £11m modernization programme of cold reduction facilities at all three

of its plants is nearing com-

a director of Crompton Parkinson.
Mr D. J. Edwards becomes a
director of Crompton Parkinson
Vidor. Mr W. T. Grant joins the
board of Hawker Siddeley Power
Plant and Mr E. F. R. Pluck the
board of Hawker Siddeley Power
Transformant.

Mr C. D. Woodward is to succeed Mr N. C. Strother Smith as director of the Fire Protection Association.

Mr S. R. D. Fanshawe has joined the board of EP Nutrition (UK).

Changes in management for

**BSC** tinplate operations

New chairman of Spillers

Mr G. Terry Pryce has been appointed chairman and chief executive of Spillers in succession to Mr W. M. Vernon, who has resigned all offices and appointments in the group by agreement with Dalgety. The resignations are also announced of Mr P. G. M. Best, Mr P. J. Elton and Mr G. A. Whittaker as non-executive directors of Spillers. Sir Archibald Forbes, has resigned as president. Mr R. N. Harris, a scnior executive of Dalgety, becomes a director of Dalgety, becomes a director of the Fire Protection Association.

the contract was awarded to the council's direct labour department, the letter says. Mr Noar complains that the council's action makes nonsense of EEC directives that public works contracts be put out to

The federation believes the case has serious implications for proposed legislation on direct labour organizations. Councillor Norman West, chairman of the council's highways committee, said that the decision had not been taken lightly and could not be saparated from the more general question of the future

role of the direct labour depart-ment, with 1,100 employees. He said the council had advertised according to European Community regulations, although at the time it had not decided whether to put the contract out to competitive tender. Councillor West believed there had been no replies.

The role of direct labour has

always been a source of bitter dispute between unions and private sector contractors. Both sides would in theory accept free competition between the private and public sectors. The difficulty has been in ensuring that conditions are right.

Humberside, whose formation was also announced last month. In a statement, the BSC said:
"These discrete businesses will,

as a result, enjoy a greater measure of decentralized responsibility than hitherto, and

The new holding company. no longer report to any of the which will employ 26,000, will manufacturing divisions."

## plea for shipping

Britain's shipping industry has made a renewed appeal to the Government for a return of investment allowances in the forthcoming Budget in an effort to stem the big outflow of tonnage from the United King-

weight rons in the last three years. The industry fears that without some new incentive it will be the low-cost operators

cost to the Exchequer in lost Shipping estimates.
"If the fleet continues to

decrease the results in terms of foreign currency will be scrious, and indeed are already beginning to show," the council

ping fell from about £1,000m to £943m from 1977 to 1978. Manufacturing industry, the council said in a submission to also include BSC Stainless with sales of £84m last year; BSC Forges, Foundries and Engineering with a turnover last year of £107m; BSC Cumbria and BSC Light Products with sales last year of £94m and £34m respectively.

Operation of the new holdings activities will start at the same time as another new business unit, BSC Yorkshire and Humberside, whose formation the Government, has benefited by several thousand millions from stock relief in recent years, which is of little use to shipping.

**UK TRADE** 

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tive directors of Manufacturers Hanover.

Mr A. T. Blomquist has become president and chief executive officer of Turner & Newall Industries Inc (Turner & Newall's holding company in the United States).

Mr Peter Chamberlain, mannaing director of Ravenhead and Mr James Oliver, director of finance and administration and company secretary of United Glass have ioined the board of United Glass.

Mr John Squire becomes a director of Myson Industrial Space Heaters.

Mr Gavin Laird, executive council member of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, and Mr John Ray, chief executive of the Chloride Group, have been appointed members of the Industrial Development Advisory Board.

Mr S. R. D. Fanshtwe haz joined the board of EP Nutrition (UK).

Mr P. R. Dugdale, a director of Trade Indemnity has been made deputy chairman. 1979 1978 O1 02 03 04 1978 Q1

## **Incentives**

will be the low-cost operators from Hougkong and elsewhere, rather than Britain, who will take advantage of the upturn in the freight market.

A 40 per cent investment allowance such as operated from 1954 to 1966 would markedly increase the attract.

markedly increase the attrac-tions of investment in ships to banks and finance houses as well as established owners. The revenue would be no more than £100m to £125m a year, the General Council of British

Invisible earnings from ship-

following are the October trade figures, seasonally ad-justed, and corrected on a balance of payments basis with ellowance for known recording

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## steel imports endeavouring to keep their own workforce fully employed by keeping production going and meeting their customers' orders, whether for the home

Sir, As a result of the action taken by flying pickets of the Iron and Steel Trades Con-federation and the National Union of Blastfurnacemen at orders, whether for the nome market or for export. All are as concerned as we that the action taken by the unions could prevent the honouring of contracts made months before the strike threat was even mentioned between two parties who Union of Blastiurnacemen at the ports of King's Lynn, Whitby, Seaham and Poole, deliveries of urgently needed steel from our works, Hoogovens Estel, have been stopped. Our role as a second source supplier of quality steel since 1954 has been responsible and consistent, as the BSC would be the first to arknowledge, and tioned, between two parties who are in no way directly involved in the dispute.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

in the dispute.

To quote the statement from one union leader in an official letter: "The dispute is with the British Steel Corporation and private firms are not involved".

It must be clear to the union leader by a court of the court of the union leader by a court of the union leader by the union leader the first to acknowledge, and we remain for the majority of our customers an important supplier, particularly for those qualities not made by the BSC, for example, direct-on enamelling steel. The average tonnage shipped over the past decade of all products is

It must be clear to the union leaders by now the amount of damage that is being done to their cause, and it is to be hoped that they will ensure that the voluntary undertaking they propose to control secondary picketing will be implemented before there is serious damage to industry. decade of all products is 520,000 tonnes, including semifinished products, on an annual K. H. BAKER,

general election last year, headed by Mr Anthony Steen, placed the free port status for

Liverpool at the head of their manifesto. It appears that Mr

Steen's attempt to produce a Bill to this effect under the 10-

minute rule has not been supported by his own govern-

Perhaps the European Mem

bers of Parliament for Liverpool and Yorkshire and the Mid-lands, which would receive so

many economic benefits from the new pattern of trade, would take this up in the European Parliament and with the Euro-

Bearing in mind that virtually every member of the EEC with a coastline has already at least one port with free port

status, it seems strange that no attempt has been made to seek this major new dynamic for major port or ports in the

United Kingdom, particularly those where a new dynamic is

needed to halt soaring unem-

President, Liverpool Liberal

pean Commission.

ployment.

Party,

Yours faithfully,

CYRIL CARR,

basis.

Many of our customers are household names in the motor industry, the canning industry, the domestic appliance industry, the heating and ventilating industry, the stockholding industry and the private sector steelmakers, and have been buving from us for the reasons stated above for very many years—some since 1954. All are Carrier House, January 11.

#### Case for establishing a free port at Liverpool candidates in Liverpool at the

Union blockade of

From Mr K. H. Baker

From Councillor Cyril Carr Sir, Your correspondent Mr R. W. Shikespeare (January 7) pinpoints some of the problems facing the Port of Liverpool in the light of the recent 174 per cent rise in port fees and the proposed increase from February 1 in master porter-age charges which would produce a total increase of some 30 per cent.

It would be a serious enough It would be a serious enough situation if the port and other major British ports were not faced with wholly unfair competition from the Port of London arising out of government grants already made of some £35m and further grants contemplated in the region of £60m to that port alone. 60m to that port alone.

The Liverpool City Council has for some years supported the concept of a free port for Liverpool with an associated free trading area within the EEC. It is possible that this could be extended into an eastwest trading axis to counter-balance the north-south equivalent which is so heavily biased in favour of the South-east. This would involve a twinned free port arrangement with roll-on roll-off facilities at Hull and Liverpool linking Europe and the Americas using the

It is interesting that the Liverpool L Conservative parliamentary January 10.

Companies Bill which are con-

cerned with the interests of

employees would entrench in company law the reality of

In suggesting that these pro-

visions set up a duty to employees which is irreconcil-

able with the duty to share-holders, he is, fortunately, not on firm ground. The clause in

question does not follow the 1973 formulation but, instead,

states that "the matters to which the directors of a com-

pany are to have regard in the

performance of their functions shall include the interests of

the company's employees in

best practice.

M62 as a land bridge.

#### The Bridge, Ibbotsons Lane, Liverpool L17 1AL.

Legislating for employees dom flag

British owners have been selling ships so fast that the United Kingdom fleet has shrunk by a quarter from 50 million to 37 million deadmillion to 37 million deadto point out that those of the makes clear where the duty to government's proposals in the employees lics, namely, that it to point out that those of the makes clear where the duty to Government's proposals in the employees lies, namely, that it employees lies, namely, that it is part of the duty of directors to act in the best interests of the company.

The clause therefore carries out what has long been seen as a very desirable reform, that company law should reflect the fact that, in furthering the in-terests of the company, the board of directors should have regard to the interests of employees as well as those of shareholders. I am glad that the Government has taken early steps to bring about this

Yours faithfully, ANTHONY GRANT. House of Commons. general as well as the interests of its members." This duty is London SW1A OAA. owed by the directors to the January 9.

#### Electrification programme for British Rail

From Mr Stanley Steward Sir, Your transport correspon-Sir, Your transport correspondent comments (January 3) on the worldwide acceleration of railway electrification in the face of oil scarcity and the hopes of British Rail's chairman for a big electrification programme this year. I trust that these hopes will not be deferred by conflicting claims on our resources because this

deferred by conflicting claims on our resources because this is a rare instance of a policy decision which has everything going for it.

The joint BR-Government working party identified potential cost savings of nearly £50m a year even before the recent oil price rises and taking no account of the increased revenue which follows electrification.

There are significant

There are significant environmental advantages, in cluding the reduction of noise and pollution, the easing of road congestion and the compatitive elimination and the petitive elimination of much domestic air travel. There are substantial export prospects and a long-term programme by British Rail will enable our manufacturers to have a shop window comparable to those enjoyed by their competitors in Japan, France and Germany. The overriding argument, which in my view removes all doubt, is the energy situation at the end of this century. Before the completion of main-line electrification oil will be prohi-bitively expensive, dangerously scarce and in sight of exhaustion for all except inescapable uses. It will be folly to leave our transport system at this risk and criminal to waste diminishing reserves where cheaper and better substitutes are available.

STANLEY STEWARD, Chairman. South-Western Electricity Board

#### Service from estate agents From Mr S. D. Dover

Sir, Mr Burgoin (January 10) complains that his estate agent had to do a negligible amount of work for his £990 fee. One must remember that there are bad times as well as good. I asked six estate agents to sell my flat. They all had substantial advertising and circulation costs as well as their office rents and overheads. None of them received any fee as the property has not been sold. In bad times more agents must do more work with a much lower

chance of a fee. My complaints about estate agents would be that the rate of fee is a little too high and customer requires. The average house seller would like the agent to sell the house for him. That means taking purchasers around the property without disturbing the occu-

At the moment agents simply arrange visits (even making the arrangement causes considerable interruption) and then leaves the client to sell find difficult and distasteful. Yours faithfully, S. D. DOVER,

London, NW3 1TY.

## Night shift cars

From Mr F. C. Bagnall Sir, As one who ran a 24-houraday industry for 20 years, and insisted we bought British motor cars, I would not today buy with my own money a BL car unless Sir Michael guaranteed are to a second to the second to t teed it was not assembled on one of his night shifts. Yours faithfully. F. C. BAGNALL

Vermont, North View Road, Budleigh Salterton, Devon, EX9 6BZ.

## Tax burden on corporate sector

inflation accounting (January
7) is misleading in respects that
have profound public policy
implications.
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one can largely agree with Mr. Stanley about those of the defi-ciencies of the historic cost method of accounting that were catalogued by the Governor of the Bank of England in the annual lecture of the Institute of Fiscal Studies last Novem-The governor also doubted

whether aggregate profits are over-taxed under the present system. Mr Stanley goes further and (erroneously) asserts that it is clear that the corporate sector has not paid its fair share of the tax burden.

of the tax burden.

The corporate sector tax burden is essentially a question of fact. Unfortunately, the Governor of the Bank of England neither backed up his contention with ex post data, nor did he indicate the basis of the analysis from which his conclusion is drawn Ir is also sign.

The corporate sector tax must be concerned to pany's sustainable generating capacity.

For the 20-year p the tax burden to the advent of sign in the rate of tax on in the ra clusion is drawn. It is also sig-nificant that an article in the latest edition of the Bank of England Quarterly Bulletin is concerned only with pre-tax rates of return.

rates of return.

Though Mr Stanley does offer some numbers to support his axiom about the "benign" corporate tax environment, they are ineppropriate for at least two reasons. The advance corporation tax (ACT) which Mr Stanley omits from his table is a significant proportion of the taxation paid by United Kingdom companies. In 1978-79, ACT constituted no less than 46 per cent of the mainstream corporation tax paid by listed companies engaged in manufacturing and distribution. (Although companies that have no

lute corporation tax yield, is not a proposition about corporate taxation as a percentage of corporate taxable capacity. It is obviously possible, as has been the case in the United Kingdom in much of the postwar period, to have a corporate tax yield that is low, compared with the revenue yielded by other forms of taxation, but which is debilitatingly high as a percentage of corporate taxable capacity. If there is an axiom about the corporate tax burden, it is that corporate taxable capacity must be concerned with a com-pany's sustainable cash flow

For the 20-year period prior the advent of stock relief, the rate of tax on the cash flow earnings (before interest) of earnings (before interest) of listed manufacturing companies averaged 74 per cent. With interest "above the line", the average is 84 per cent. Although, as the table shows, stock relief has substantially ameliorated the corporate tax burden since 1974, the effective rate of tax on corporate cash flows has remained well above flows has remained well above the 52 per cent nominal rate of tax (which is based on a shareholder [equity] concept of tax-able capacity).

DIE Capacity).

UK ilsted manufacturing companies average tax rate on:

Entity Equity cash flows 74 63 1954-74 (20 yrs) 74% 84% 1974-78 (4 yrs) 63° 94% As cash flow analysis carried out here shows, the dispersion about the above rates since 1974

cash facturing and distribution. (Although companies that have no taxable carnings can avoid ACT by not paying dividends, any ACT which they do pay is never-

From Professor Gerald Lawson
Sir, Oliver Stanley's article on inflation accounting (January 7) is misleading in respects that the same story.

In suggesting that a concept of taxable capacity similar to the earnings measure prescribed by ED24 would be desirable, Mr Oliver is on extremely dan-gerous ground. Both the present tax system, and the ED24 profit concept, fall well short of the principles of tax neutrality vis-a-vis the impact of taxes on profitability and risk, not to mention tax discrimination across

companies.

Basically, five adjustments are necessary to remove the non-neutral features of the United Kingdom corporate tax United Kingdom corporate tax system thereby eliminating the varying biases against companies and placing them on much the same basis as individuals. These are: (i) the removal of the 15 per cent abatement that is a feature of the present stock relief; (ii) the extension of two reliefs (iii) the extension of two reliefs. the extension of tax reliefs to other elements of periodic working capital investment; (iii) the extension of 100 per cent tax reliefs to all categories of capital investment; (iv) the removal of discrimination in favour of debt-financing; (v) taxation on a current year basis and the substitution of

and the substitution of tax repayments for unabsorbed tax
losses and capital allowances.

The first three of these proposals are necessary to chiminate fiscal drag which is also a
function of the rate of inflation.
Given constant nominal tax
rates, the fifth proposal would
eliminate the destablisher friskeliminate the destablizing (risk-increasing) feature of the GERALD H. LAWSON.

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tom Clara ..... Z. The Market 

## Decca on the rack

the Rain of Decca's shares remained in the cauldron yesterday, fluctuating wildly as the stock market convinced itself that a takeover bid for the company is imminent. The market is probably right. An offer, possibly from Racal, an ambitious and successful landbased communication group which covets Decca's expertise in marine electronics, seems likely.

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Decca of course is a sitting duck. One of the great names in British electronics and with a world wide reputation for innovation in radar and navigational aids, it was created by a business genius. Sir Edward Lewis. Sir Edward is still chairman but he is now in his seventies and Decca seems to have lost its dynamism—and, for the moment its profits. Last year there was a loss of nearly £400,000, and half year figures due later this month will show that the situation has deteriorated. Decca may have lost as much as £7m so far this year.
So the timing for a bid would appear

perfect, particularly as Decca is about to clinch the sale of its music business (which Racal would not want anyway) to PolyGram at a price of around £10m and by all accounts a great number of redundancies. Racal has been looking at Decca (and indeed Plessey) for several years. It has nor been alone. EMI, when it was indepen-

dent and prospering talked to Sir Edward and so one suspects did GEC. Sir Edward and various Swiss-based trusts control around 18 per cent of Decca's ordinary capital (the company still maintains a large non-voting capital) so his agreement to a bid is a key factor.

Racal may have secured his agreement

to open the bidding but the price-or at least the opening offer-may disappoint speculative holders of Decca. Racal, if it is to make a bid, would certainly pitch it at a level which reflects Decca's present problems rather than the speculative prices which rule in the market.

Thus, Decca's shares fell yesterday leaving the ordinary at 340p and the "A" at But so did Racal's-(down 9p at 197p). With Decca worth around £70m for openers and the possibility of counter bidders coming forward, the market is already recognizing that a lot of Racal paper would be around.

Hill Samuel

#### Withdrawing from Germany

Is Hill Samuel making a virtue of necessity? Its explanation yesterday for the sale of an 80 per cent interest in its Frankfurt banking subsidiary to Credit Commercial de France was that the German banking market had become too competitive to justify the amount of capital it would have needed over the next few years and that the funds released—estimated to be around £4m-could be put to better use in faster growing foreign subsidiaries like Australia and Ireland.

But after years of trying to expand to get the sort of financial muscle enjoyed by the big banking groups, and in the process having to run a more ambitious operation on the back of a merchant bank's limited resources and restricted access to fresh capital, it seems just as clear that the



Sir Robert Clark, chairman of Hill Samuel's

retrenchment in Germany is part of an underlying change of philosophy that has been going on inside the bank for the past

couple of years.

Hill Samuel has already spelt out how the general balance sheet pressures on financial companies in times of rising inflation (and weakening sterling when that was relevant) have already forced it to turn increasingly to fee earning activities that are less capital hungry than commercial

Its problems have been exacerbated by one of the worst earnings records of all the merchant banks with profits after extraordinary items virtually stagnating at around £7m over the past five years, not helped by the dismal showing of the insurance broking side which also makes heavy demands on capital.

This lack of profitability now seems to be working through to a more radical assess-ment of what business Hill Samuel can afford to be in over the next few years. The group is also widely thought to have one of the lowest levels of inner reserves of the merchants while two years ago there was a disguised rights issue when it brought in two shareholders (First City Bancorporation and BAII) in return for £9.2m of new

Meanwhile, Hill Samuel does not appear to be getting an especially good price. European banks of any sort do not often come on the market and the price is based on 80 per cent of net asset value with none of the goodwill element usually associated with bank purchases.

As it is the move comes only a few weeks after Kleinwort Benson decided that a Dmark base was crucial to the development of its international business, although commercial banking in Frankfurt is not quite the same as the trade-related finance Kleinwort has moved into

Gough Cooper

#### Natural

#### caution

After a year in which builders' profits have burgeoned on the back of souring house prices, the market is now understandably taking a dim view of the sector.

The general picture does indeed look bleak with high interest rates, a morteage famine, price flattening and the NEDO forecasting the poorest level of house starts

But within the industry there is still some optimism around particularly among the or to flee. urban "in-filling" development specialists Traditio like Gough Cooper, which yesterday re-ported a profit recovery to £1.6m last year from the previous £504,000. Pulling away from the intensely competitive contract building field, which lost the group £750,000 in 1977, provided the main impetus, while a 15 per cent increase in private completions and soaring house prices washed through into profits, although interest charges more than trebled to

The point is that Gough at the higher end of the market and in the best geographical location—the south-east—can at least hope to maintain the level of activity while awaiting eventual relief in the form of lower interest rates and improving building society liquidity.

Given that profits could hold up fairly well this year Gough Cooper which advanced 2p to 78p could offer some attractions in a p/e ratio of under 8 and yield of just over 10 per cent. However the fact that the dividend has not been increased now that cover has reached an acceptable level for the first time in four years is an adequate enough pointer to the group's current caution.

• Market views on the December trade figures were rather mixed yesterday. The December figures in themselves are, however, relatively unimportant compared with the overall figures for the final quarter of the year. Whatever allowances one tries to make, the situation is far from encouraging. Export volume (excluding more erratic items) was down by 11 per cent over the period, while the volume of finished manufactures rose by a full 6 per cent over the

previous quarter. In short, 1979 has been a year that has added substantially to the firepower of those who want alternative policies to hold back the tide of de-industrialization, albeit that they are unlikely to make much progress against a government committed to arrest ing the trend through a policy of sound money and improving the supply side of

For the present year the Government has forecast only a marginal improvement over the estimated 1979 current account deficit of £2,400m, though most outside forecasters have forecast something rather better than this on the grounds that recession should start to hold back imports.

The interesting question, however, after another year in which capital inflows have more than outweighed trade outflows is how much longer overseas investors will continue to buoy up the exchange rate. They are certainly doing so in considerable strength at the moment, but the danger if and when the tide turns is that resident capital temporarily kept here in the hope of a gilt edged boom may make for the

Ross Davies, recently in Southern Rhodesia, on a new breed of entrepreneur

## Blacks mean business in the new Zimbabwe

I arrived 12 minutes late for our appointment to find Mr Reuben Gondo all smiles. I thought it was only we blacks who are supposed to have no sense of time", he said. Mr Gondo, founder, managing director and shareholder of Southern Rhodesia's largest black-owned grocery wholesaler, s clearly enjoying his part in the role reversal that is going on in Rhodesia. Ten years ago he was selling

soap powders to stores in Rho-desia's African townships for Lever Brothers. Today, at 34, he is a director of Standard Bank, Rhodesia's largest—one that a decade ago would not have lent him a dollar.

His cash-and-carry business, Progress Trading is now well established among African shopkeepers and once peace breaks out fully in Rhodesia Mr Gondo plans to float the company. Mr Philip Chipudhla, too, has a stake in his country that would have been unimaginable before UDI. Like Mr Gonda,

Once a personnel and wel-fare officer for the local subsidiary of the former Imperial Tobacco group, Mr Chipudhla is now proprietor of Salisbury's Kambuzema Hotel and for more than a year has been on the board of the central bank, the

it is only the internecine civil

war that has been holding him

Reserve Bank of Zimbabwe-Mr Gondo won his chance to go into business for himself during UDI and Mr Chipudhla because of UDI.

The former is flourishing, the other surviving in business new

o the country's black people. The war has opened up oppor-tunities in salaried employment for blacks. Vacancies have be-come available in the factories and even the smart shops of Salisbury's First Avenue as whites have left either to fight

Traditional black employments and businesses, however, have suffered badly. Rural shop-keeping, small hotels in the African townships, little bus companies—all have declined. whether bombed or burned or simply starved out of business by the inability of people to move around safely outside the beleaguered main towns

Mr Gondo and some friends, among them two whites, in salaried employment, decided they could make themselves financially secure and help the



the development of their country.



Mr Philip Chipudhla: blacks' participating in Mr Reuben Gondo: we have been spectators for

As black people we have not had access to finance... We hope the new government is going to make the availability of finance possible

But they did not have capital.

"I can assure you," Mr Gondo
said, "that raising capital has
been one of the biggest problems for African businessmen. In fact, I think bankers have always been very, very unsym-pathetic towards the aspira-tions of black businessmen.

The banks were and have always been and still are really exclusively white-controlled, "You go to the banker, he'll speak to you, fine. He listens to you and he asks you to provide balance sheets, final vide balance sheets, final accounts—and in the end after going through all that hassle he tells you, 'Look, I'm sorry, I can't give you any money' because somehow the thing is not successful."

How, then did he do it? With a "white passport" Mr Gondo laughed. "All they did these white guys (his original part-

black community by selling ners), was to go to see a banker 1964 and the imposition of goods at competitive prices to shopkeepers in the black townships.

But they did not have capital.

I can assure you," Mr Gondo with our black partner and we processing in the United Kingship of the prices of don't have any cash. Can you give us facilities?' Just like

> If I had done it myself I would have failed, but what we did was to put up this white front and it succeeded."

That certain bank granting the overdraft was Standard Bank, on whose board Mr Gondo now sits, It is part of the United Kingdom Standard Chartered Bank, which like the rest of the Rhodesian banks was caught in a wave of token-ism as the Lancaster House talks, and therefore a black government, drew near.

government, drew near.

For Mr Chipudhla, paradoxically, it was UDI and the tightening of discrimination against blacks that gave him his chance.

It was time for the welfare officer, Mr Chipudhla, to see that his own future did not go up in smoke—but how?
While Southern Rhodesia was a British colony and until it federated with what is now Zambia and Malawi in 1953, Rhodesian blacks could not walk into a Salisbury hotel, he

That eased somewhat during the federation with the two "blacker" states but after the break-up of the federation and the declaration of UDI the old screws were tightened.
Under the Land Tenure Act

blacks were forbidden to operate hotels in Salisbury, Mr gainst blacks that gave him his opposed to being spectators.

"We have been spectators made, Philip Participation as for a long time."

As I was leaving, Mr As I was leaving, Mr

to feel less welcome in the capital's "white" hotels. At the start of the 1970s a strange event occurred. A piece of land in the Kambezuma black township south-west of Salisbury was offered by the government to black bidders only for development as a black-

"We can only assume", Mr. Chipudhla said, "that the government here wanted to strengthen the LTA and the, best way to do it was to allow at least a few (black) botels in Salisbury so that, you know, blacks could then have no com-plaint. They could say, 'Right,' at least we've got a place to

The trouble is now that, since 1974 and the intensification of the war within two years of the, hotel's opening, blacks no less than whites find it dangerous

to move around.

Mr Chipudhla was able to buy: the land and build the first stage of his hotel-28 bedrooms, two bars and a restaurant — with a government loan. But so few black tourists now come to Salisbury from South Africa, Malawi or even other parts of Rhodesia that Mr Chipudhla cannot finance expansion to his second stage, function rooms that would enable him to tap the local resi-

dent marker.

"We are managing, that is all I can say", he told me.

Mr Gondo, whose business is doing better because its bedrock customers are in Salisbury inself, says: "It's been an uphill barrle all the time. It's only now today, that I know I'm going to be in business for the next 20, 30 years".

Peace would allow Mr Chipudhla to expand into what he calls the hotel business, neither blackhotels nor white

neither blackhotels nor white hotels. For Mr Gondo it means diversification "on the same lines as the whites". Mr Gondo said: "It's not as

if we hate anybody. It's that as black people we have not had access to finance and we are hoping that the new government, which must be black, is going to work on this and make the availability of finance

Mr Chipudhla added: "We as blacks in the private sector would like to participate in the development of the country."

#### Derek Harris

## Video recorders: the battle for the UK market

The video tape recorder is providing the latest battleground in ing and non-compatible systems involved, it appears that it is the first Japanese models appeared in the spring of the spring of

that is on top.

This emerges from the most came in.

In the United States at the Price Commission recent despatches from the relevision rental companies, which account for about 70 per cent study VHS had 58 per cent of the sector and are in a good position to judge. The video recorder enables

the television viewer to record (and play back later) a pro-gramme on one channel while watching the other and also allows the recording of a proramme while people are out of the bouse. At least 60 per cent of the VTR sector in Britain — one renter says 70 per cent or more

— is said to have been won by the VHS system employed by three Japanese makers, JVC, Hitachi and Matsushita. Betamax, the system used by another Japanese maker, Sony, possibly has a further 10 per cent of the market.

Phillips' Austrian-made VCR system is estimated by some renters to have between 25 and 30 per cent of the British mar-ket, which is almost certainly a smaller slice than the company has in most of the rest of

Europe in 1978 were put as follows: VHS, 38 per cent; Betamax, 9 per cent; and VCR, together with Grundig's similar but nevertheless incompatible SPR system, 48 per cent. This was the result of a study made by the Price Commission during last year. Trade sources suggest

that since then VCR/SVR share forecast a doubling of this penehas fallen away somewhat. The West German market

penetration and Betamax 34 per cent, but Philips and Grundig were not in that market. The pattern in Britain has depended critically on which system has been taken up by the renters. VHS was the choice of the Thorn group's rental

companies, including Radio Rentals and DER and also of Granada TV Rental. Thorn's interests and Granada are the two dominant rental chains. The main backers of the Philips VCR have been Redif-

fusion and Visionhire, part of Electronic Rentals Group in which Philips has a share stake.

#### Estimates of growth

Whether the Japanese will win the war is a question which both the renters and the retail trade would dearly like to answer. One factor is market growth. In little over a year VTR penetration in Britain is probably at least 160,000 units and possibly 180,000 or more. Mr Bryan Quilter, Granada's rental managing director and chairman of the National Tele-

vision Rental Association, has

tration this year and another doubling next year.

A VTR in a fifth of British homes, four million or so housethe first Japanese models appeared in the spring of that by 1985 has been forecast by year and price discounting Mr Peter Patten, Rediffusion's group marketing executive. VTRs are being sold at be-ween £500 and £600 and rental

is £18 to £19 a month. As volume grows the prices are expected to come down. How quickly they do so will affect the briskness of subsequent business, particularly if recession this year squeezes disposable incomes. There is the question whether

production capacity in Japan and Europe could meet a big expansion of demand. Some hiccups in Japanese supply were noticed by the trade last year, although production capacity is apparently being increased by the Japanese makers.

There was a widespread shortage of blank tape cassettes made in Japan over the Christmas period and this is only now easing Three-hour tapes, which sell at £10 to £12, were the worst affected because these are the most economic in terms of playing time.

There are stocks of Philips' present 1700 VCR model but the company is introducing an entirely new system, the 2000, in the spring which has a reversible tape that will give eight hours' playing time. It is expected to offer a bargain cost per hour of £2.50, but the tech-nical demands of the system are high because of the need to "read" a quarter-inch wide tape instead of a half-inch one.

with Grundig, could obviously improve Philips' chances in the market place, but any maker running into problems, whether of production capacity or any-thing else, will necessarily see the market share arithmetic

changing.
The free exchange of patients mean Sony's dropping of Beta-max. But it may turn out to viden battle.

the market in pre-recorded entertainment because of its much lower cost compared with prerecorded tapes. In the United States discs can cost about \$25 compared with up to \$100 for a similar offer on tape. Philips plans a European-

which was agreed last autumn like Sony's based on optical by Philips and Sony will not laser technology, in the first half of next year. Disc pressing will be done at a converted factory in Blackburn, Lanca-

comparible systems seen in VTRs could well be repeated in video discs. JVC in Japan is working on a capacitant system in which a shoe "reads" the disc grooves, while RCA in the United States relies on a stylus in contact with the disc.
With video cameras offering

## Business Diary: Smoke with fire • Aston's deadline

Have Britain's two largest tobacco firms, Imperial and Gallaher, pushed the usually temperate and even-handed Patrick Jenkin beyond endurance over the question of cigarette advertising controls?
We shall see. But there was no mistaking the air of seething with the depth and quality of within Secretary of State Jenkin's Department of Health and Social Security yesterday over archy are furious at what they what they see as another ploy aimed at spiking the antismoking lobby's guns.

The latest gaffe came with

sponsored by Imps and Gallaher which seemed to back up the manufacturers' case that adverusing did not increase overail robacco consumption in the What galled the DHSS is that



the compilers, Metra, a sub-sidiary of the Banque de Paris er Des Pays Bas, openly boasted thar DHSS statisticians checked Metra's figures, suggested alternative methods of working, and, in Metra's words, "expres-sed themselves well satisfied the investigation ". Jenkin and the DHSS hier-

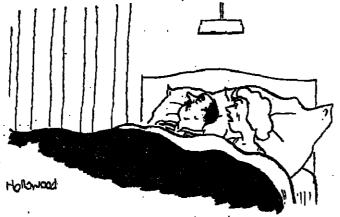
see as an attempt to gain official credence for a report bearing conclusions which preempt the department's position the publication of a report on advertising controls.

sponsored by Imps and Gallaher But what of the report itself? Metra industrial division deputy

director Pat Sinnott, who headed the research team, did his best yesterday to explain his mounds of computer models. He failed singularly, however, to explain to a group of untutored journalists how the conclusion that advertising volume over the past 20 years

has failed to affect consump-tion could then be extended to include the notion that a total ban would have similar effects.
Seeking consolation for the inability to make this quantum jump myself, I rang the DHSS and Action on Smoking and

Yes, they told me, they borh had the same objection. And then they went on to list others, such as that the report failed to take into account considerably over the past sponsorship, health warnings 20 years.



Remember when you gave Beth a necklace made of a hundred golden sovereigns and she was furious because she wanted a crystal wireless set?"

on packets, and changing social attitudes to smoking. "Brilliant it may be as a report," said ASH director David Simpson, "but it means

very little practically". Metra also gave Jenkin some powerful ammunition for his talks with the tobacco firms over the voluntary advertising code which is due to run out at the end of March.

The single most telling factor on consumption, they conclude, is price; and in real terms the cost of 20 cigarettes has fallen

For the second time in its history, the "Tour de France" cycle race will begin in Germany In fact, the beadquarters of

Dresdner Bank AG, the second largest of the big three German for the Honda Bounty. It is banks, will be the starting point understood that Sir Michael of the race and firing the start-ing pistol will be the bank's chief executive, Hans Friderichs.

Dr Friderichs, who rose to prominence as West German Economics Minister, is an enthusiastic racing bike fan. He has a proper racing cycle com-plete with drop handlebars

which he frequently uses

 BL chief Sir Michael Edwardes has lost patience with Aston Martin's much delayed bid to acquire his MG plant at Abingdon. Reliable sources report that he has given Alan Curtis, Aston Martin's managing director, until Friday to produce a detailed offer or forget it. In the meantime Sir Michael

is going ahead with plans for Abingdon and yesterday appointed a new boss to look after investment schemes involving the conversion of the plant selective assistance into the new home for BL's "knocked down" department -kits for overseas assembly plants, the manufacture of specialist or custom-built cars,

engine tuning and motor spuris. He is Alan Edis, 39, the present head of Cowley KD and former business and product planning director of Jaguar

Rover Triumph.

His present Cowley premises
must be cleared to make way
for the Honda Bounty. It is considers that the Aston Martin delay is now so serious that it is threatening next year's launch date of the Bounty.

If the deal falls through, however, it could prove embarthat Curtis will then publish figures showing just how profitTwo new names are to join the eminent band of men who make up the Government's Industrial Development Advisory

Industry Secretary Sir Keith Joseph has appointed Gavin Laird, the leftward leaning moderate on the executive of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, and John Ray, chief executive of the Chloride Group, to the board. The IDAB is responsible for

submitting observations on big The appointments follow the departure of Harry Urwin, the deputy general secretary of the Transport Workers Union

who resigned after last year's Tory victory at the polls, and of two other members at the end of last year. Sir William Barlow, chairman of the Post Office, has departed after seven years' service on the board, as has D. A. Chilvers. senior investigation parmer at Coopers & Lybrand.

The rising importance of gold has seeped into the consciousness of the wrestling world. Top of the bill at a forthcoming promotion at the Royal Albert Hall, and hailing from "the Dark continent", are an un-likely duo going by the names of African Kruger and African Rand.

David Hewson

The disc is likely to corner

#### Competing disc systems

This will be over what is expected to be a much bigger market for the video disc and its hardware back-up of video disc players that in the United States have been selling at about £400. Mr Patten's forecast is that once this system is cle gets under way in Britain it which could be in 40 per cent of system homes within five or six years. seen.

But the clashing of non-

home films on the living room television set what they call in the trade the "multi-source in-home entertainment centre" is clearly not far away. But, which of all the clashing systems will win remains to be



**PROFIT CLIMBS BY 35%** TO £145 MILLION

**Preliminary Announcement** Year ended 29th September, 1979

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by Group profits after Tax

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26.7% 49.5p 43.8p Profit. The profit before tax of the SGB Group for the year

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ended 29th September, 1979, was again a record at £14,514,000. Our four major operating divisions in the U.K., the Scaffolding (Great Britain) Group, Youngman Group, Mechanical Plant Group, and HSS Hire Group, made substantial progress, each increasing profits by over 40 per

cent. Overseas, the profit is slightly better than in the previous

year, even after making additional provisions against certain

Dividend. At the annual general meeting to be held on 18th March, a final dividend of 5.1p per share will be recommended resulting in a total dividend of 8,25p for the

Scrip issue. The directors will also propose a scrip issue of four shares for every five held.

The full Report and Accounts will be posted to shareholders on Monday, 11th February, 1980.

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of our oversess investments.



#### Queen's Bench Division

## Disclosure of jury-room secrets not contempt of court

Attorney General v Statesman and Nation Publishing Co Ltd Before Lord Widgery, Lord Chief Justice, and Mr Justice Park In order to establish that publication after a trial of a juror's disclosure of jury room secrets was a contempt of court, it was necessary to show, in the light of the circumstances of the case, that each disclosure anded on that such disclosure tended or would tend to imperil the finality of jury verdicts, or to affect adversely the attitude of future jurors and the quality of their deliberations

The Divisional Court so held in refusing an application by the Autorney General for an order for contempt of court and order for Anomey General for an order for contempt of court under Order 52, rule 9 of the Rules of the Supreme Court, against the Statesman and Nation Publishing Co Ltd, publishers of the New Statesman, with regard to an article in which a juror disclosed certain secrets from the intervent of the trial from the jury room at the trial of Mr Jeremy Thorpe and others for conspiracy to nurder.

Mr Simon Brown and Mr Andrew Collins for the Attorney General; Mr Geoffrey Robertson and Mr Andrew Nicholl for the

The LORD CHIEF JUSTICE, reading the judgment of the court, said that the article complained of in the New Statesman last July was entitled "Thorpe's last July was entitled "Thorpe's Trial: How the jury saw it". It contained a juror's account of significant parts of the jury's deliberations in the course of arriving at their verticts in the Thorpe trial at the Central Criminal Court between May 8 and June 22, 1979. Both the trial itself, and the long committal proceedings which preceded it, were sensational and received saturation coverage in the daily press. The jury, having considered their verticts for 52 hours, acquitted all the accused.

Mr Bruce Page, the editor of

Mr Braice Page, the editor of the New Statesman, commissioned two reputable and experienced journalists to write a three-part journalists to write a three-part series of articles, the third part of which was to deal with legal issues in the trial, and in par-ticular with the question whether the prosecution should have pro-ceeded against the accused upon lesser charges, and whether large payments, escalating in the event payments, escalaring in the event of a conviction, by newspapers to witnesses ought to be prohibited. It came to the notice of the two journalists that a juror was willing, without reward, to divulge what had happened in the jury room. He did that because he felt that our appears of the case quelt that some aspects of the case ought to be made public. They inter-viewed him. The editor was told, and he formed the opinion that and ne formed the opinion that the juror's comments provided important evidence which should be incorporated in the third article. That was done, and the article was published on July 27, 1979.

The article recorded the juror as saving inter all that all the

as saying, inter alia, that all the jury were agreed that the accused were guilty of a conspiracy of some kind; that 11 of them, after a little more than an hour's deliberation on the first day, agreed that it was not proved that there had been a conspiracy to marder; and that on a charge of incitement to murder, the jury could not accept the uncorroborated word of a proceruiton witness. word of a prosecution witness who had agreed to accept money from a newspaper, the amount to

conviction.

The Attorney General accepted that the editor's decision to prolish the article was taken with the best intention; that he houestly believed that nothing but 
good would result from its publication; and that the article would 
never involve him in proceedings 
for contempt of court. for contempt of court It was conceded that the publication could not in any respect interfere with the administration to the juror's comments, it was unexceptionable since the words published demonstrated that the

heavier work (such as imloading and loading) was done by men and the lighter work (like sort-ing, packaging and labelling) by women and a redundancy situation arose regarding the lighter work, employers who gave redundancy notices to three women employees on the basis of "last in, first out" were held not to have un-

out" were held not to have un-lawfully discriminated against them or to have unfairly dismis-

The Court of Appeal allowed,

with costs, an appeal by employ-ers. David Gold & Sons (Hold-

ers, bavia doin as Sons (Bott-ings) Ltd, of Bermondsey, Lou-don, from an order of the Employment Appeal Tribunal (Mr

Employment Appeal Tribunal (Mr Justice Kilner Brown presiding), allowing an appeal by Mrs Marie Noble, of Abbey Street, Bermond-sey, and two other female employ-ces from an industrial tribunal which by a majority had dismissed their claims of unfair dismissed

and sex discrimination by the

mitted the complaints, which arose out of redundancy notices given by the employers on October 29,

By section 1 (4) of the Equal Pay Act, 1970, as reenacted by the 1975 Act, "A woman is to be regarded as employed on like work

regarded as employed on like work with men if, but only if, her work and theirs is of the same or a broadly similar nature, and the differences (If any) between the things she does and the things they do are not of practical immortance in relation to terms and conditions of employment; Section 57 of the Employment; Protection (Consolidation) Act, 1978, provides: "(3) . . . the determination of the question whether the dismissal was fair or

whether the dismissal was fair or unlair . . . shall depend on

unfair . . . shall depend on whether the employer can satisfy the tribunal that in the circum-

stances (having regard to equity and the substantial merits of the case) he acted reasonably in treat-ing [his reason] as a sufficient

reason for dismissing the employee".

section 31(2) provides: . . . an employee who is dismissed shall be taken to be dismissed by reason of redundancy if the dismissed is attributable wholly or mainly to—(b) the fact that the

tion 81(2) provides: ". . . an

Appeal Tribunal had re-

out of redundancy notices given by the employers on October 29, 1976, to a differently constituted industrial tribunal.

Section 1 of the Sex Discrimination Act, 1975, and of unfair dismissal. It was said that union, Sogat, had put in a claim for equal pay for the women in the warehouses as doing broadly a woman . . if—(a) on the grounds of her sex he treats her less favourably than he treats or would treat a man.

By section 6 (2) "It is unlawful for a person, in the case of a woman employed by him at an establishment. . to discriminate against her—(b) by dismissing ther. . "

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sensible and responsible manner, but it was contemted that, despite that, mischief was done by the article by reason of its impact on the administration of justice. article by reason of its impact on the administration of justice.

It was argued that she article involved an interference with the due administration of justice as a continuing process in that the disclosure of whist happened in the jusy room tended or would tend (a) to imperil the finality of jury verdicts and thereby diminish public confidence in the general correctness and propriety of such verdicts; and (b) to affect adversely the attitude of future jurymen and the quality of their deliberations. It was said that nothing must be permitted to be published which might tend to deter a person likely to be called for jury service from playing his full part as a juror in any trial. The court was reminded that, until a few years ago, it was accounted that when them to in The court was reminded that, until a few years ago, it was accepted that what went on in the jury room had to be treated as secret. The solemn obligation of jurors to observe secrecy was well-maintained and breaches of the obligation were kept at an acceptable level. It had never been necessary to invoke the law of contempt in respect of such breaches, but that law had always been available for use in any case in which the administration of justice would have been imperilled. Recently, however, the solemn obligation of secrecy had been shown to be breaking down; a considerable number of publications, some more objectionable than others, had occurred.

than others, had occurred.

Accordingly, in view of the apparenty diminishing respect for the convention of observance of jury secrety and the risk of escalation in the frequency and degree of the disclosures, it had become right for the Attorney. General to invoke the law of contempt in relation to the article in the New Statesman since it represented a departure from the norm and was a serious and dangerous encroachment into the convention

encroachment into the convention of jury secrecy.

On the other hand, it was also conceded that there were strong arguments in support of the view that certain categories of disclosure fell outside the law of contempt, for example, where serious research was being carried out; but even then any disclosures would have to have been such as to ensure that the trial could not be identified. Or where the disclosure occurred in social discussion; but even that could in some circumstances be so undesirable as to constitute condesirable as to constitute con-

between those categories of dis-closure which probably fell outside the law of contempt and the general principle of that law, and to hold, by applying the general principle, that the present article constituted contempt. The general principle was recently article constituted contempt. The general principle was recently stated by Lord Diplock in Attorney General v Leveller Magazine Ltd. ([1979] 2 WLR 247, 251). He said that although criminal contempts might take a variety of forms, they all shared a common characteristic in that they involved an interference with the due administration of justice either in a particular case or, more generally, as a continuing process.

that, where the article referred contempt and thereby to create a say that it was, and therefore to the juror's comments, it was new offence, which was something unexceptionable since the words published demonstrated that the The present case was concerned Prosecutions; Stanley & Simpson,

Women's lighter work different

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that a great number of books, magazines and pamphlets came into the employers' warehouse where the three women worked to be unloaded, sorted, labelled and packed for distribution to some 500 outlets. In mid-1976 the amount of work commission in had

some 500 outlets. In mid-1976 the amount of work coming in bad fallen off, there were serious losses. The employers found that the lighter side of the work had diminished and decided that people on that side should be made redundant. The majority of the industrial tribunal had found that it was the lighter side of the

within the redundancy provisions of the 1978 Act: section 81(2)

On October 29, 1976, the em-

ployers sent notices of redundancy to women employees. The three employees complained of unfair discrimination under the Sex Dis-

her rights under the Sex Discrimination and Equal Pay Acts ".

By a majority the industrial tribunal had found for the employers. The Appeal Tribunal had remitted the case to a new industrial tribunal. Both parties had invited their Lordships to do the best they could on the basis of the industrial tribunal's judgment.

Had the women been picked upon because they were women? In employers said that the women's work was different from that of the men who had the heavier work of unloading and loading lorries. On the principle of "last in, first out" one woman might have been retained if they were doing the same work.

The evidence warranted the conclusion that the women's work on the benches was lighter than the men's. It was different.

It was easier to consider the case as if there were two "establishments": (1) where the men did the heavier work, (2) where the women did the lighter work. A comparison could be made with halls in Inns of Court where the heavier, carrying work was done by men outside the hall, and the lighter work of waiting was done inside hall by women. That was not sex discrimination but a difference owlng to the difference between the sexes. Within the warehouse, there were two estab-

ring after the conclusion of the trial. An example of that kind of contempt would be when a juror was attacked or threatened after the trial pursuant to a desire for vengeance from a dis-appointed htigant or a member of the convicted person's family.

appointed litigant or a member of the convicted person's family.

On the question whether, after a trial was concluded, it was contempt to approach and inserview a juror and thereafter to publish in a newspaper the secreta of the jury room as revealed by the furor, it was helpful to have some regard to observations made by judges in the past, and his Loxiship referred to R v Armstrong ([1922] 2KB 555) and Ellis v Deheer ([1922] 2KB 113). Those observations demonstrated that there were powerful arguments against breathing the secrets of the jury room. Serious consequences might flow from an approach to a juror, particularly after a trial which had attracted great publication of an account of what the juror had said about the discussion in the jury room. If not checked, that type of activity might become the general custom. If so, it would soon be made to appear that the secrecy of the jury room had been abandoned, and if that happened it was not beyond the bounds of possibility that trial by jury would go the same way.

The virtue of the system of trial by jury lay in the fact that,

same way.

The virtue of the system of trial by jury lay in the fact that, once the case was over and the jury had returned its verdict, the matter was at an end. Therefore, any activity of the kind under consideration in the present case, which tended or would tend to imperil the finality of jury verdicts or to affect adversely the attitude of future jury-men and the quality of their deliberations was capable of being a contempt. But that was not to say that Was capanie or neing a concernor.
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there would be of necessity a
contempt because someone had
disclosed the secrets of the jury

What, then, was the test to apply in deciding whether such activity was or was not a contempt of court? Attorney General v Leveller Magazine Ltd [in which the House of Lords considered whether the publication of the name of a witness in criminal proceedings who had been allowed to conceal his identity was contempt] lent support to their Lordships view that each case of disclosure had to be judged in the light of the circumstances in which the publication took place. In the instant case the sole ground on which the allegation of contempt was based was the publication of some of the secrets of the reinfit was pased was the publica-tion of some of the secrets of the jury room in the Thorpe trial. Apart from that, there were no special circumstances which, it was suggested, called for con-demnation.

The evidence showed that for a number of years the publication of jury-room secrets had occurred a mumber of years the publication of jury-room secrets had occurred on numerous occasions. To many of those disclosures no exception could be taken because, from a study of them, it would not be possible to identify the persons much characteristic in that they involved an interference with the due administration of justice either in a particular case or, more generally, as a continuing process.

Mr Robertson submitted that once a trial was concluded there was no interference with the administration of justice and no contempt was therefore committed by the disclosures of what happened in the jury room. Although the publication of such disclosures had in the past been deplored by judges, no proceedings for contempt had ever been taken against those responsible for them.

Statesman as contempt, the effect would be to extend the taken because incommended in the main for the landable purpose of informing would—be purpose of informing would—be jury-room secrets were revealed in the main for the landable purpose of informing would—be jury-room secrets were revealed in the main for the landable purpose of informing would—be jury-room secrets were revealed in the main for the landable purpose of informing would—be jury-room secrets were revealed in the main for the landable purpose of informing would—be purpose of informing would—be present kind must necessarily amount to a contempt. Looking at the case as a whole, their Lo

Lord Justice Lawton delivered a

concurring judgment, and Lord Justice Ackner agreed with both

Solicitors: Offenbach & Co; Bindman & Partners.

North Western Trailer Co Ltd

and Others v Itel Corporation International and Others

Our report (December 19, 1979), of Mr Justice Graham's judgment of December 13 stated that the defendants in this case had been

restrained from importing "flats" (collapsible comminers) infringing the plaintiffs' patents into the United Kingdom. In fact, the judge made no such order, and simply stated that while the balance of convenience (absolute an in-

## FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

## Gilts firm but equities dip

Nevertheless, gilts continued to be active following Monday's spectacular gains spurred on by hopes of a fall in interest rates

in the near future.

Gold shares too, turned in another sparkling performance bouyed up by the larest surge in the bullion price. Indeed early morning trading saw the price almost break through the \$700 barrier before the strong another the strong of the adollar on performance of th edollar on the currency market saw profit takers move in for the price to finish \$31 up at \$687.5 an

Equities began cautiously in micipation of profit taking which had begun the previous night. But after initial marking down of prices they made some improvement only to drift again around midden shead of some improvement only to drift again around mid-day shead of the trade figures later in the

The trade figures came and went and the only conclusion that could be drawn was that it had split the market right down the middle. In the event equities made some attempt to go better after hours while gilts finished mixed

as profit takers began to move

An optimistic outlook was retained by most market fi up at f331 after some heavy delayed from last year owing to traders yesterday, despite an across the board setback by The FT index closed 4.1 down tories. Only Electrocomponents, and the set of the property of the pro

Market leaders tended to against the trend rising 7p to drift lower along with the rest of the market but earlier losses were cut back after a stronger performance after hours

Among those to show net losses on the day included Glazo 8p lower at 460p, Hawker Siddely 6p off at 188p and ICI 4p down at 369p, Falls of 2p were noted in Trust House

Fresh bid rumours are now Fresh bid rumours are now circulating around DIY group, B & Q (Retail), which came to market early last year with 55 people chasing every share available. The gossip is that W. H. Smith, which bought into the home decorating trade with LCP Homecentres last March, in the street of the second side of the second side. LCP Homecentres last March, is on the provol with a price of 120p a share in mind. B & O's price held firm at 88p yester-day.

Forte at 143p, ahead of today's figures, and Grand Metropoli-tan at 141p also reporting later

this week.

Shares of Decca dipped 10p to 340p and the 'A' 13p to 304p as rumours swept the market that Racal, 9p off at 197p was about make its long-awaited bid for the former but 12 price.

from Hiram Walker made little difference to shares of Highland Distillers which remained unchanged at 145p. But the resolute appearance of C. T. Bowring in its extempt to fight off the attentions of Marsh & Maclellan helped the shares 2p

Burnett & Hallamshire leaps 40p to 525p in a thin market or the announcement of Mr Alan Ferguson's decision to resign 13p to 333p on news of its deal with Canadian Vickers but Kitchen Queen dipped a further 2p to 28p as the market awaited possible announcement on its recent acquisitions.

In engineering Lesney dipped 2p to 28p after news that the company expected a substantial serback in profits this year and was plannin gto make 1,200 em-ployees redundant and close a ctory in Japan.

Equity turnover on January , was £127.608m (19,129 bargains Active stocks yesterday, accordink to the Exchange Tek graph, were, Consolidated Gold Fields, Imperial Contineanal Gas, BP, GEC, RTZ, ICI, Grand Met Hotels, KCA Int, Premier Cons GKN Marks & Spencer, Racal Baselaws National Man At the longer end of the former, but at a price Fields, Imperial Continental market activity was thinner than of late with most turning easier along with sterling GEC moved in line with the class of £1 and £1 market trend retreating 3p to while among the second ance of the day came from War lines Muirhead slipped 18p to BAT and Plessey.

#### Latest results

### £80m bid for Highland extended

By Richard Allen
The £80m takeover bid for
Highland Distilleries from Canadian drinks group Hiram. Walker-Gooderham and Worts has been extended until the end of this month. Hiram Walker's 130p a share

cash offer was due to close this Friday. In a letter to share-holders the Canadian group said that it had made the extension to give Highland a further opportunity to put forward any "real reason" for rejecting the offer.

It points out that in reject-ing the bid Highland's board had not bothered to give any details of the underlying asset position, a profits forecast or any indication of future divi-

denos.

Mr John MacPhail, the Souttish group's chairman, said after the bid was first announced just before Christmas that the offer would not be in the interest of the company or its share-holders and had been unanimously rejected by directors.
With Highland shares at 1450. with frighten shares at 145p, still some 15p above the value of the Hiram Walker offer, the stockmarket is betting that the Canadian group will have to raise its offer significantly to have a chance of success.



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Sir James said after the meeting that he was bullish about the group's prospects in the 1980s. He expects the group to ensure higher profits and turnover by increased investment and energy and other basic commodities. Heavy investments will be made in oil, bricks and meat, he said.

The first quarter of this year has shown higher profitability

Mr Robert Dean (left), a throughout the company, led by director of Hanson Trust, with the fresh meat market in the Sir James Hanson, chairman, at United States.

yesterday's annual meeting in Sir James said that if exchange rates had remained the same as last year, the group would have made an additional

£1.9m profits on top of the £31.2m profits for 1979.

He also stressed that productivity improvement would solve most of British industry's problems. "We must now repay the Government's bold course of action in reducing income tax by making a concerted effort to keep down inflation."

## **Good demand boosts** SGB by a third

Strong demand in all divisions boosted overall profits at SGB, Britain's largest scaffolding group, by over a third.

Despite a bad start to the Despite a bad start to me year—and provisions overseas of almost, film—the group turned in a record pre-tax profit of £14.5m for the 12 months to September 29, against a previous £10.7m. Turnover rose from £93m to £119m.

However, because of the up-turn in demand, particularly from the scaffolding contract hire and building equipment divisions, working capital has been increased. In the year under review, borrowings rose from £18.8m to £21.6m as the group stepped-up its stocks. Much of the increase came in medium-term loans which rose from £3.6m to £5.4m.

As a result of this rise in borrowings, interest charges increased to £2.6m, compared with £1.7m.

And with spending likely to rise again in the current year— SGB is paying £2.5m for two drag lines for the new opencast mine near Newcastle—the interest charge will be higher in the current period, Profits from scaffolding—SGB's main division—rose 40

per cent to around £6.5m with a buoyant demand causing a high usage of the equipment



chairman of the SGB Group.

aries. Although the profit contribution carned outside the United Kingdom is fairly small. the group has had to make a provision of under film for slow moving stock in the Gulf. This provision has been increased provision has been increased from the £500,000 allowed at the half-way stage. Last year, the group wrote-off its Iran investment. Elsewhere, particularly in Germany and Holland, profits are increasing.

For shareholders there is a near-20 per cent increase in the

high usage of the equipment and thus widening margins.

The smaller United Kingdom operations, including the mechanical plant group and Youngmans, also continued their growth record.

The only problem area for SGB was the overseas subsidi-

## Slower second half at Status Discount

By Rosemary Unsworth Status Discount, the retail store group which is based in the north, suffered in the sec-ond half from reduced trading which held back profits growth for the full year to November

Pretax profits went up by 7 per cent to £4m while turnover rose by 32 per cent to £40.7m.
Although profits increased by 50 per cent at the interim stage to £2.4m, the increase in VAT led to a reduction in each stage to 2.24m, me micrease m VAT led to a reduction in trad-ing. This was followed by the group's changeover to retailing metric kitchen units which did not sell well. In addition, the cost of relitting the shops with the new units affected profits while the imperial units were sold off at lower margins, explained Mr Edwin Healey.

Status's problems were then compounded by the 11 week Independent Television strike as 60 per cent of its £3m advertising revenue goes to tele-

The group was forced to use expensive national and regional press advertising instead which affected profitability, said Mr

The profit figure also includes a £25,000 first-time contribution from the group's leasing activities. A final dividend of 2p gross has been recom-mended, making a total of 3p gross compared with 1.33p for the previous year, following the end of dividend restraint. The share price rose 4p to 55p on the announcement and city estimates for the current year are for £5m profits on £55m turnover.

## Premier Oil rights issue

By Michael Prest
Premier Consolidated Oilfields, the independent United
Kingdom oil and gas exploration

The directors say that an alternative to the rights issue was to sell their 3 per cent stake in Lamo activities of the control of the contr and production company, is to result of the bid for Oil raise f4.16m net of costs by a Exploration. But Premier one-for-four rights issue at 25p a share. The shares rose 11p about £8.2m, believing Lassno's r to close at 47p. Mr Roland Shaw, Premier's chairman and managing director, says the cash raised will be invested in exploration and development in Texas, the Rocky Mountains and the North

The company does not intend to change its policy of concentrating on capital growth. It currently has producing assets in the United States, Italy, Trinidad and stakes in North

prospects to be "very favour-able".

Despite the absence of dividends, the company has been a popular speculative stock for several years. Premier's several years. Premier's capitalization has risen over the last decade from less than £500,000 to around £10m. City sources estimate that if its Rocky Mountain and Texas leases are successful Premier could have a cash flow of at least \$4m by 1982 against £683,000 last year.

## Hope for troubled AEG

Noble and Others v David Gold & Sons (Holdings) Ltd requirements of that business for the Sons (Holdings) Ltd remployees to carry out work of the Rolls, Lord Justice Lawton and Lord Justice Ackner Where in a warehouse the heavier work (such as unloading and loading) was done by men and the lighter work (like sorting, packaging and labelling) by women and a redundancy situation arose regarding the lighter work, employers who gave redundancy situation arose regarding the lighter work, employers who gave redundancy situation arose regarding the lighter work, employers who gave redundancy situation arose regarding the lighter work, employers who gave redundancy situation arose regarding the lighter work. AEG-Telefunken, the troubled German electrical giant, expects its turnover in the current year to rise by between 5 and 7 per cent to about 5 and 7 per cent to about 5 and 58.0m assumption of debt. Last year AEG lost Dm960m

and announced that it was to lay off 10 per cent of its workforce, or 13,000 people. Herr Walter Cipa, the management board chairman, also said that be would retire on the expiry of his contract in August this An increase in turnover of

employees were not entitled to equal pay.

Was there unlawful discrimination contrary to section 6(2) of the 1975 Act (see section 57(3) of the 1978 Act)? It had been quite reasonable for the employers to reduce their staff and to do it from those doing the light work. Was it fair and equitable for them to do it in the way they did? The industrial tribunal felt that it would have been better if there had been consultation but did not regard the lack of consultation as unfair because it would have made no difference. Hollister v National Farmers' Union ([1979] ICR 542) showed that the want of consultation did not necessarily make the dismissal unfair.

It was a difficult case for the facts were difficult to set out. around 7 per cent would allow AEG just about to keep pace with the growth of the electrifacts were difficult to set out. The appeal should be allowed and the decision of the industrial tribunal restored.

cal sector. But the company is

#### International

still suffering from severe losses on nuclear reactors built several years ago and has heavy borrowings.
Last year the nominal capital was written down and Herr Cipa said AEG would show a slight profit by 1981.

#### Brunswick Oil

West Australian explorer, Brunswick Oil NL has obtained option to acquire Oberon Oil for \$A4.87m payable in cash and vendor shares.

Oberon is the holder of petroleum exploration permits in the Browse Basin area, offshore Western Australia, of approx 4,800 million acres. Two international firms of

geological and geophysical con-

stated that while the balance of convenience favoured an injunction, the plaintifts might be adequately protected if the defendants would ensure that allegedly infringing flats were not sold without adequate warning that they should not be used in the United Kingdom.

At an adjourned hearing on December 20 the court made an order by which Graaff KG undertook until trial of the action or further order not to dispose of allegedly infringing flats in the United Kingdom and only to deal with them elsewhere subject to conditions, and carrying labels, forbidding their entry here. O. T. Express Lines and Itel were ordered to impose similar condihave recommended drilling of two structures. Cons Gold Fields In line with its declared policy of acquiring specialist engineering companies, Consolidated Gold Fields has agreed to buy, through its United States forbidding their entry here. O. T. Express Lines and Itel were ordered to impose similar conditions in any of their future dealings in such flars until trial of the action. The order does not affect flats aiready sold, hired, leased or otherwise disposed of by Graaff, Itel or O. T. Express Lines. subsidiary Amcon, four energy equipment companies for a total of S62.3m (£27m). of \$62.3m (£27m).

The companies are Skytop/
Brewster, King Oil Tools,
Mechanical Seal and Service,
and Peel, a United Kingdom

The price represents book value since the companies together are not currently profit-able. But Gold Fields expects that they will become so within two or three years. Their services to the oil industry fit in with the drill-

ing rig construction interests of Azcon, an Amcon subsidiary.

#### Unitever plans deal Unilever has agreed to pay A\$17.7m (£8.72m) for part of the food business of the Sydney-

based Marrickville holdings. Under the agreement Unilever will buy Marrickville's fats and oils plant, a 17 hectare site in an inner Sydney suburb and the Miracle, Hi Fri and Sunfol brand names. The remainder of Marrickville's margarine and grocery businesses is being pur-chased by another Australian company.
Unilever, through its subsi

diary, Unilever Australia Pro-prietary, has received Aus-tralian Government approval for the acquisition.

#### Rugby Portland In a further Anglo-French

joint venture, RPC technical services, a subsidiary of RPC, Seltrust Engineering, a Selection Trust Group company, and Société des Ciments Français have signed an agreement with the Development Bank of the Philippines, Manila to provide general consultancy services to the Philippines cement industry.

#### Dynamit Nobel

Dynamit Nobel of America, a unit of Dynamit Nobel of West Germany, has acquired Harte and Co, a United States synthetic foil maker, from Diamone Shamrock Corporation, according to a spokesman for Friedrich Flick, the West German industrial group to which Dyna mit Nobel belongs. The price paid was not disclosed.

## Steel dispute slows Wellman Over the half-year to September 30, pre-tax profits of Wellment is being lifted from 1.88p man Engineering Corporation,

man Engineering Corporation, which last year fought off a takeover bid from Redman Heenan International, jumped 61 per cent to £545,000, including a seven-week contribution from last year's American acquisition. The results would have been higher, but for the United Kangdom engineering strike. "Successful efforts" are being made to overcome the effects of the strike and heavier

interest rates, so that there would have been grounds for optimism that the year's fore-cast profit (of over £2m) could still be met. But, no estimate can be made at this stage of

BRIDPORT GUNDRY Chairman told AGM that 1980 is not going to be an easy year for manufacturing industry but he has confidence in the executive

QUEENS MOAT HOUSES
Board has sold Petwood Moat
House, Woodhall Spa, Lincs, to
Executive Lessure for £200,000. Hotel acquired in 1970 £104,000 RECEIVER SELLS SUGDEN

Receiver and manager of A. R. Sugden and Co (Engineers), makers of hi-fi equipment, says that Sugdens' business had been sold to Hacker Sound of Black-

FULLER, SMITH & TURNER
Turnover for half-year to September 28, £9.42m (£8.61m). Pretax profit, £854,000 (£819,000).
Sections of re-development programme are starting to come on stream, but it will be late 1980 before group feels any benefit from increased output, LYNTON HOLDINGS

Rents receivable for half-year to September 25, £1.45m (£1.33m). Consolidated surplus, before tax, £450,000 (£466,000). Interim payment held at 1.71p gross and board expects to maintain total

DIAMOND STYLUS Turnover for half-year to September 30 £742,000 (£768,000). Profit £37,000 (£80,000) pre-tax. EPS 0.57p (1.22p). Dividend is 0.41p gross (0.42p).

#### Brooke Tool 50 pc up despite strike Brooke Tool Engineering

(Holdings) managed to increase profits by 50 per cent and improve sales by 13 per cent despite the road haulage and engineering strikes and a fire at one of the group's major plants.

Pre-tax profits rose £324,800 to a record £495,300 which reflected improved trading margins in the year to can be made at this stage of September 30 1979. Turnover the effect of the steel strike. would have been £500,000

> H. CLARKSON Because of growth in field of life and pensions in the Midlands, H. Clarkson Insurance Group has formed a separate company to deal with group pensions, life assur-

YARROW-VICKERS STANWICK Yarrow subsidiary, Y-Ard Ltd, has signed an agreement with Victors Stanwick Systems Inc for operations in Canada. VSSI is a joint venture between Vickers Canada of Montreal and Stanwick

#### Briefly

Corp of US Y-Ard will become an equity partner in VSSI and will assist in development of a Cana-dian ship design and marine en-gineering capability.

SCOTTISH HOMES
Carr, Sebag and Co, as an associate of Scottish Homes Investment, sold on January 11 25,000 shares in Scottish Homes at 46p each and on January 14 15,000 shares at 46p each on behalf of ossociates of the company.

ford Machine Tools for which Brook is claiming £1.5m insurance damas The final dividend is to be lifted from 2.15p gross to 2.39p, making a total of 4.125p a share compared with 3.86p last year.

greater but for the fixe at Blox-

#### RKT boosts payment

Reporting the second best profit in its history, Robert Kitchen Taylor is boosting its total gross dividend for the year to September 30 from 2.3p to 14.28p. On turnover 15 per cent lower at £17.02m, pre-tax profits slipped by an eighth to £1.9m.

REVERTEX HOLDINGS
Britannic Assurance is interested in 1.1m shares in Revertex Holdings (7.72 per cent). KAKUZI LTD Turnover for hine months to November 30, £1.86m (Kenya pounds). Pre-tax profit, £808,700. Interim payment, 40 cents. Board hope to pay final of not less than 60 cents.

#### INSTANT STARTER ENGINEERING

BERWICK SALMON

Because of heavy tosses in Instant Starter Engineering's sub-sidiary company, Enel Electronics, it has been sold to I.T.R. Holdings CASTLEFFELD (KLANG)

Discussions are taking placover possible sale of Castleliel Estate to a Development Co-i which Castlelield might be involve as a shareholder—to develop it estate for housing.

CONCENTRIC An improvement on last year's record 52.42m pre-tax profit is expected by Mr John Perks, new chairman of Concentric.

shares at 46p each on behalf of essociates of the company.

EMI

Rowe and Pitman has bought, for EMI, £2.75m 8; per cent, convertible unsecured loan stock, 1981, at 94, for redemption.

STROUD RILEY

Mr M. M. Ross now holds 6.8 per cent of the capital of Stroud Riley.

BERWICK SALMON

Last season was one of poorest of century on river Tweed, Mr J. C. Hunst, the chairman reported at the annual meeting of serwick Salmon Fisheries Company. "It is only through a restructuring of the fishing expenses and overheads together with higher prices that the company has increased its profitability". He said that an average season in 1980 would show substantially better results.

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## FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

## post Gold price rise lends lustre to quarterlies

By Michael Prest

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Sharply higher gold prices brought bigger profits, better gold prices received, and lower unit costs to many of the mines in the Rand Mines, Anglovaal and Johannesburg Consolidated Investments groups, in the December ouarter. groups, quarter.

The average gold price reveived by Rand Mines, for example, was \$419.5, compared with \$20.7 an ounce for the previous three months.

Johnnies' two operating gold mines, Randfontein Estates and Western Areas enjoyed an increase in the gold price received of \$99 to \$425. Both these mines saw their after-tax profits go up substantially Profits go up substantially, Randfontein by 37 per cent and Western by 291 per cent.

Durban Roodepoort Deen, a member of the Rand group, pushed its after-tax profits up by 223 per cent. East Rand proprietary, another Rand mine, had a profits increase of 160 per cent.

Apployed also benefited

Anglovaal also benefited from sharp profits rises, which also allowed the mines to reduce the average grade of ore milled. The company points out, however, that the decline in yields at Loraine and ETC was mainly due to using ore from surface dumps. At Loraine particularly, surface dumps were exploited to maintain mill throughput.

Sales of antimony by Consolidated Murchison, part of solidated Murchison, part of Anglovaal, rose steeply.

#### **Options 发展的基础**

Sustained interest in Consolidated Gold Fields helped business in traded options to remain very much on the boil yesterday. Total contracts amounted to 1,089 compared with the previous day's figure of 1,337 of which Cons Gold accounted for 636. Dealers reported that the new record price for gold helped stoke up interest but with the January series expiring next Wednesday, series expiring next Wednesday, investors were anxious to settle positions in the April series.

Traditional options also say Traditional options also saw further activity with interest continuing in Lonbro and gold · · sbares.

#### 📑 🛁 Ryland has control of R A Dyson

Hill Samuel's offers of 2p a share, made on behalf of Ryland Vehicle Group, for the "A" and "B" ordinary shares of R. A. Dyson not already owned have been declared unconditional and remain open Ryland cowns or has received acceptances for 67.4 per cent of the "A" and 55.8 per cent of the

#### · · · · Mr Alan Ferguson leaves Burnett

Mr Alan Ferguson, who joined the board of Burnett & Hallamshire at the end of last year after the successful bid for Mining Investment Corporation of which he was a director and major shareholder, has resigned.

Temple Investment & Finance at company he controls.

ance, a company he controls, has retained an 11.9 per cent stake in Burnett, having placed the other 3.9 per cent of the holding held by Mr Ferguson.

#### **Howard Shuttering** rises by a third

Building contractor and plant hire group, Howard Shuttering, has increased pre-tax profit by a third to £301,000 in the six months to October 31, 1979.

### Bank Base Rates

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\* Accounts prepared under provision of SSAP15.

#### Wall Street

New York, Jan 13 .- Blue chip were improving as the stock ma ket closed, although the list a a whole was mixed.

Declining issues, at about 62 led the approximately 595 ad vances, that was close to the sam margin shown since midday. The Dow Jones industrial area age was ahead by 5.03 to 868.60 It had been down about thre

points at midday.
Volume totalled 52,320,00 shares, compared with Monday' New York Stock Exchange total of 52,930,000 shares .-- AP/Dox

US gold still soars New York, Jan 13.—GOLD prices to new highs indicating treasury force to new highs indicating treasury sond sales would be inappropriate new, desters said. Gold advanced \$18 at the close.

NEW YORK COMEX.—Jan. \$710.05

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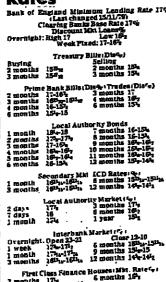
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#### **Commodities**

#### Discount market

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#### **Money Market** Rates



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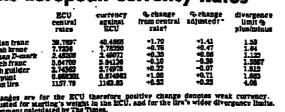
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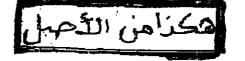
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One is Keepers Cottage at Sedlescombe, near Battle, Sussex. Thought to date from

way of a private drive and is surrounded by farmland, although only a mile or so from the village. The house has been well modernized and has a living room, a combined kitchen and breakfast room, a utility room and three bedrooms.

But it is being offered for sale with planning consent to provide a further reception room, an extra two bedrooms and a shower room. The garden extends to about 11 acres and the price is £54,950. A further two acres of land is The sale is through Braxtons,

two bedrooms.

Here, planning permission has been granted for a two-



also available if required. Church Farm Cottage, Astwick, near Hitchin, for sale at £89,500.

wards Heath.

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The other property is an extra two bedrooms, a possible with Church Farm Smugglers Cottage, at Hurst- reception room and a down- Cottage, at Astwick, near pierpoint, also in Sussex. stairs cloakroom. The pro- Hitchin, Hertfordshire. The This is a modern house built perty runs to about two acres thatched cottage has already in 1954 on the site of a flint in all and has fine views over been extended and restored cottage. Present accommoda- open farmland. Offers of from its original seventeenthtion includes a combined about £60,000 are being century origins. The work sitting and dining room and asked and the agents are T. was carried out in 1974, Bannister and Co, of Hay- when the thatched roof was also renewed.

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A great deal of renovation and modernization is required in the case of Starkey Castle, at Wouldham, Kent, believed to date from the fourteenth century. It has a grade two starred listing as being of special architectural or historic interest.

The great hall is now divided into two floors and partitioned into rooms and basic accommodation includes four reception rooms, two kitchens, five bedrooms, two dressing rooms and four bathrooms.

It stands in about four

Rochester and with views over the Medway Valley. The price of £40,000 reflects the amount of work to be done. Agents are Cluttons, of Canterbury.

Very much in the East Anglian style is Sherwins, at Great Wigborough, near Col-chester, Essex, which also has fine views over surrounding farmland for which it is thought the property was once the farmhouse.

Sherwins is partly of brick and partly of lath and plaster construction under a pegtiled roof and has extensive accommodation. This includes a large reception hall, an L-shaped drawing room, a dining room, study and playroom, and a large farmhouse kitchen.

Upstairs are a master bedroom and bathroom suite, four further bedrooms, a dressing room and a second bathroom. The garden is well landscaped with a pond and in all the property runs to about one acre. The price is £90,000 through Abbots, of Colchester.

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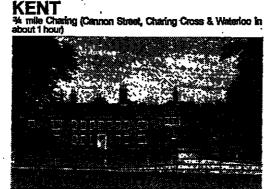
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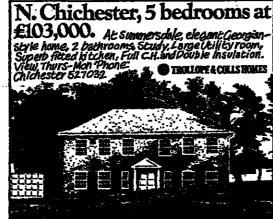
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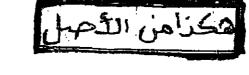
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John Thaw who reads a short story by Scott Fitzgerald

Anyone who has staggered back in disbelief when faced, without warning and for the first time, with the Reaubourg Arts Centre in Paris—better known, perhaps, as the Pompidou centre—will be impatient to know what kind of human being it was who conceived such a mishmash façade of Meccano, surrealistic scaffolding and oil refinery. To be fair to the British architect, Richard Rogers, the subject of the first of a new series of Arena profiles (BBC 2.7.55), he did not create the inside-out centre all by himself but in tandem with his Italian partner. Arena promes (558C Z, 7.55), he did not create the inside-out centre all by himself but in tandem with his Italian partner, Rento Piano. Now Mr Rogers has been commissioned to design a new home for Lloyds of London, and he has also put up an ambitious and characteristically controversial scheme for the revivilication of that moribund area of London's South Bank known as Coin Street. known as Coin Street.

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The essential facts which chess addicts and ditherers will want to know about the new series of The Master Game (BBC 2, 6.50) are that players from Britain, West Germany, the United States and Czechoslovakia will be joining battle with the great Korchnoi, that the tournament has been seeded, that it carries a first prize of £2,500 and that Dr John Nunn who takes on Vlastimil Hort of P.A. SECRETAR AT Oxford since Cardinal Wolsey who is reputed to have graduated VOI FULL BA at the same age. The Listener will be giving a progress report on the tournament every week during its run.

ANOTHER 6 I apologize to Major-General Sir Frank Kitson for having GUR TYPING put him among the panellists in the Robin Day chat show Question Time about which I wrote in my Personal Choice for the panellists in the panellists in the new order to the new the panellists in the new trees. Streets yesterday. Clearly, the impression he made on me in the new law a BBC TV series War School the previous week was so strong that I subconsiously substituted his name for that of General set of Sir John Hackett who did appear on Question Time last night without my acknowledging the fact.

 I have praised Granada Television's occasional series Crown
 Court before and it is time I did so again. Fictional cases every
 tone of them, but so persuasively written and convincingly acted
 that you would swear you were sitting in on the real thing. A
 bew case opens today (ITV, 130), arising out of the murder of a detective-sergeant during some rioting at a football match; you cannot accuse Crown Court of being insulated against life's grim possibilities. It is worth noting that the defence coursel at the trial is played by that versatile Scots actor Roddy McMillan who

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story of The Blind Men and the Elephant.

BBC 1 9.05 am For Schools, Colleges: En-4.20 Pixie and Dixie: cartoon, Pupgineering Craft Studies; 9,35 pet Pals (r). Exploring Science; 9.58 Let's Go: 4.25 Jacksnory: Michael Trough-18.12 Words and Pictures; 10.30 ton continues his readings from Home Economics; 11.02 Science loan Tate's thriller See How they All Around.

11.25 You and Me : repeat of Our 4.40 Take Hart: Tony Hart shows ouse. For the very young. 11.40 For Schools, Colleges: History: Socrates (play). how to make pictures from old photographs. 5.00 John Craven's Newsround:

12.05 om Russian—Language and People: Russian for beginners (r). 12.45 News and weather. 1.00 Pebble Mill at One: Includes an item about alternative fuel for

1.45 Playboard: The story of Henny Penny (r). 2.01 For Schools, Colleges: Watch (books); 2.18 Near and Far; Earthquakes and volcanoes; 2.40 Communicate (journalists). Closedown at 3.00.

3.25 Children's Wardrobe: A cheap way to make shorts and trousers. 3.55 Play School; The traditional

8.25 The Two Rounies: Half a dozen of the Barker/Corbett shows gramme in a new series of inter-

5.10 Our John Willie: Part 3 of

Catherine Cookson's Tyneside drama, Tonight: the boys' summer-

5.40 News; with Kenneth Kendall,

house hide-out is discovered.

BBC 2

10.20 am Gharbar: For Asian women viewers. Closedown at 10.45.
11.00 Play School: The same as BBC 1, 3.55. Closedown at 15.45.
3.55 Flash Gordon Conquers the Universe: Episode 10 of this 12-part space adventure serial—the Death Mist.\*
5.55 Pride and Prejudice: Repeat of episode one of Fay Weldon's adaptation of the Jane Austen classic. With Elizabeth Garvie as Elizabeth and David Rintoula as Darcy.
6.50 The Master Game: First pro-

6.55 Women in White: TV version of Frank G. Slaughter's best-seller about hospital life. Tonight, a Cuban's life is in danger and a nurse's awful dijemma over her duling father. Rec 7 Vagiations: Wales: 11,02 am 1 Yagolion. 5.10 pm Billdowcar. 5.55 Wales Today, 5.55 Headlw 7.20 Tom and Jerry. 7.35 The Rockford Files. 12.12 am News and waither. Scotland: 12.40 pm News. 5.55 Reporting Scotland, 12.12 am News and waither. Northern Irahad: 3.53 pm News. 5.55 Scone Around Six 12.12 am News and weather. England: 5.55 m Regional Inagazines. 12.15 am, Ciose. 7.45 On the Town. 8.30 A Sideways Look. 8.45 Analysis. 9.30 Kaleidoscope. astounding Beaubourg Art Centre in Paris.
8.30 Film: Goodbye Mr Chips

are being repeated. This is the first

9.25 War School: Officer Class. The social backgrounds, the ambi-tions and worries of the students at the Army Staff College, Camber-

ley. And why they are taken on a trip to the D-Day beaches in Normandy.

9.55 Sportsnight : Highlights from :

Nottingham Forest's game against Liverpool and Third Division Swin-

don's game against First Division Arsenal. Also, highlights from the England versus Scotland amateur

11.13 Parkinson: Michael Parkin-

boxing international in London.

SOD's guests are.

Regions

12.12 am Weather.

9.00 News: with Peter Woods.

scrooge. 10.50 News and weather.

of four Scott Fitzeerald stories about a failed writer in Hollywood. John Thaw reads On the Trail of Pat Hobby. Closedown at 11.20.

6.30 Film: Goodbye Mr Chips (1969). Not, alas, the Robert Donat-Greer Garson version, but the Peter O'Toole-Petula Clark musical adaptation which is a sad shadow of the original. Leslie Bri-cusse's songs are not a patch on his score for Doctor Dolittle or Scroore

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10.45-12.00 For Schools; The
Music Box; By the People, for the
People; Inquiry; Quest.
2.00-3.00 pm For Schools; Move-

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Radio 4

9.00 News. 9.05 Mid-Week.

10.00 News.

11.00 News

12.55 Weather.

5.55 Weather

6.30 My Music.†
7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Checkpoint.

10.00 The World Tonight. 10.30 Give or Take.† 11.00 A Book at Bedtime.

12.15-12.23 am Weather, VHF

11.15 Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Today in Parliament.

6.00 News.

1 40 The Archers.

2.00 News.
2.02 Woman's Hour.
3.00 News.
3.02 Listen With Mother.

3.15 Play: Correspondence, Micheline Wandor.† 4.00 Choral Evensong.† 4.45 Story: Run Little Fox. 5.00 P.M.

6.00 am News Briefing.
6.10 Farming Today.
6.30 Today.
7.00, 8.00 News.
7.30, 8.30 Headlines.
8.35 Yesterday in Parliament.
9 00 News.

10.05 Gardeners' Question Time. 10.30 Daily Service. 10.45 The Bridge of San Luis Rey

11.05 Baker's Dozea.
12.00 News.
12.02 pm You and Yours.
12.27 Plays: Mr Bruin Who Once Drove the Bus; The Kitchen Maid.

5.50 Regional news, weather, 11.00-11.30 Study on 4: Sar le Vif (11).

Radio 3 6,55 am Weather. 7.00 News.

7.05 Records: Elgar, Rubbra, Radio 1 8.00 News. 8.05 Records: Mozart, Mahler, Sibelius, Dvorak.†

9.80 News. 9.05 Gluck (incl Don Juan).+ 10.00 Organ: Buxtehude, Hindemith, Schneider.; 10.35 Violin (Vegh) and piano: Bartok (Son 1), Bach (Partita 2).† 11.45 BBC Welsh SO/Thomson: Brahms, Ravel (Pno Conc), Beeth-oven (Sym 8).†

1.00 pm News. 1.05 Piano duet : Hoddinott, Rachmaninov, Chagrin.† 2.00 Music Weekly.†
2.50 All Across the USA (3): folk World Service

music.† 3.30 Leipzig RSO/Blumhagen: Whetzim (Sinfonia contra rimore).†
4.00 Salzburg Mozarteum Orch/

Boeticher: Mozart. 4.55 News. 5.00 Music for early evening.† 7.00 Music Now. 7.45 SNO/Gibson: Panufnik (Sinf sacra), Maxwell Davies (Stone

\$3073), Maxwell Davies (Soning Litany).†
\$.30 Six Continents: world news.
\$.45 SNO: Tippett (Sym 4).†
\$.20 Poetry reading: The Plague Column, by Jaroslav Seifert.
10.00 Piano (Firkusny): Debussy, Pavol.† Ravel.†
10.45 String quartets (Guarneri):
Haydn (op 71 no 1), Brahms (op 51 no 1).†
11.55-12.00 News.

VHF
6.50 am Regional news, weather.
7.50 Regional news, weather.
9.05-10.30 For Schools: History in Evidence; Advanced Studies—English; Poetry Corner; Music Makers; Something to Think Abour. Radio 2 5.00 am News, weather. 5.04 Steve Jones.† 7.32 Terry Wogan.† 10.03 Jimmy Young.† 12.15 pm Waggoners' Walk. 12.30 Pete Murray.† 2.15 Ray Moore.† 4.15 Much More Music.† 5.00 News. 5.05 Wag-

ment and Drama I; Books, Plays, goners' Walk. 5.20 John Dunn.†
Poems; Nature. 6.45 Sports Desk. 7.02 The Organics 6.45 Sports Desk. 7.02 The Organist Entertains.† 7.30 Listen to the Band.† 8.00 Soccer Special. 9.30 Joe Loss. + 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.02 Stop the World, 10.30 Dick Emery. 11.02 Brian Matthew, 2.02-5.00 am You and the Night and the Music.

5.00 am As Radio 2. 6.00 Dave Lee Travis. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.31 Paul Burnett. 2.00 pm Andy Peebles. 4.31 Kid Jensen. 7.00 Mailbag 8.00 Mike Read. 9.50 Newsbeat. 10.00 John Peel. + 12.00-5.00 am As Radio 2.

WHF RADIOS 1 AND 2: 5.00 am With Radio 2. 8.00 pm Listen to the Band (continued from Radio 2).+ 8.15 The Magic of the Musicals.+ 9.02 Joe Loss.+ 9.55 With Radio 2. 10.00 With Radio 1. 12.60-

(648kiz, 463m) at the following times:—

5.00 am Newsdesk, 7.00 World News, 7.08 Twenty-Four Hours, 7.48 Repurt on Religion, 8.00 World News, 8.02 Refriections, 8.15 Music for the Harpst-chord, 8.30 Animal, Vegetable of high Priss Deviced Religion, 8.00 World News, 9.00 World News, 9.00 World News, 9.15 The World Animal, Vegetable of high Priss Deviced Religion, 11.5 Take One, 11.30 Farming World, 12.00 Radio News about Britain, 11.15 Take One, 11.30 Farming World, 12.00 Radio Newsseel, 12.15 par Thirty-Minite Theatre, 12.45 Sporis Round-up, 1.00 World News, 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours, 1.30 The Oxford Book of Oxford, 2.15 Report on Religion, 2.30 Off the Record, 3.00 Radio Newsreel, 3.15 Outlook, 4.00 World News, 4.09 Commentary, 5.00 World News, 4.09 Commentary, 5.00 World News, 8.15 Naver Notebook, 9.30 Talkabout, 10.00 World News, 10.25 Book Chaire, 10.30 Financial News, 10.05 The World Today, 10.25 Book Chaire, 10.30 Financial News, 11.00 Warld News, 11.09 Commentary, 11.00 Warld News, 11.09 Commentary, 11.15 World Radio Club, 11.30

WAVELENGTHS: Radio 1 medium wave 275m/1089kHz. or 285m/1053kHz. Radio 2 med wave 330m/909kHz or 433m/693kHz and 88-91 VHF. Radio 3 med wave 247m/1215kHz and 90-92.5 VHF. Radio 4 long wave 1500m/200kHz and 92-95 VHF. Greater London area only; med wave 720kHz/417m. LBC 261m, 97.3 VHF. Capital 194m, 95.8 VHF. World Service: med wave 648kHz (463m). BBC Radio London 206m, 94.9 VHF.

#### THAMES

BBC 2

9.30 am For Schools. 9.30 Politics. 9.52 My World, 10.10 How we Used to Live (Victorian life). 10.33 The French Programme. 11.04 Stop. Look, Listen. 11.16 Finding Out (France). 11.36 How we Used to Live (a Victorian evening). 12.00 The adventures of Rupert

12.10 pm Rainbow: The theme is— throwing things. There is also a story, Acorn and ant. 12.30 The Sultivans: Australian family serial, Today: a wedding

auniversary. 1.00 News: with Peter Sissons, 1.20 Thames News: with Robin Hons-

ton.

1.30 Crown Court: Two men are charged with killing a detective. Beginning of a new case (see Personal Choice).

2.00 After Noon Plus: Some new thinking on dealing with juverile crime, with a viewers' phone-in.

2.45 The Outsiders: Drama series, set in Australia. Today: Pete (Sascha Hahn) is arrested for murder.

3.45 Hobson's Choice: Derek Hob-

3.45 Hobson's Choice: Derek Hobson's weekly interview programme.
4.15 The Sooty Show: Matthew
Corbett, Bryan Burdon and the glove-pupper favourities.
4.45 The Book Tower: Tom Baker and his young panel of critics analyse some books for children.



Keith Harris, the ventriloquist, in tonight's London Night Out (ITV, 8.00)

5.15 Mr and Mrs. Married couples find their married lives put to the test. A quiz game. 5.45 News. 6.00 Thames News. 6.25 Help. The young victims of anorexia nervosa, and what canbe done to help them.

6.35 Crossroads: motel serial. 7.00 This is Your Life: Eamonn Andrews with another of his eulo-gistic biographies.

7.30 Coronation Street: Who will fill the vacant place in the factory girls' trip to France? garts trip to traine; 8.00 London Night Out: Singing, dancing and comedy show, with Tom O'Connor as compere. Guests include Cilla Black, Keith Harris and Joe Brown.

9.00 Best Seilers: Flesh and Blood two-part drama (part 2 on Friday) about a would-be boxer, played by Tom Berenger. Highly praised when shown in the United States. Also starring actor-director John Cassavetes and Suzane Pleshetta. Photographed by the man who created those marvellous effects in Close Encounters. Continues at 10.30.

10.00 News. 10.30 Flesh and Blood: continued. 11.15 Paul Anka. Music My Way. The American singer-composer in a concert recorded at the Holly-wood Palladium. 12.15 am Close: Rosalie Crutchiey reads her own choice of poetry.

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Scottish As Thames except: 1.20 pm News. 2.48 New Avengors. 5.15 Carison. 5.20 Crossroads. 6.00 Scotland Today. 6.30 Emmerdale Farm. 11.15 Late Call. 11.20 Butlin's Grand Masters Darts Championships. 11.50 George Hamilton

Grampian As Thames except: Starts 9.25 am First Thing. 1.20 pm Nows. 2.45 House-party. 3.15 Money-Go-Round. 6.00 North Touight. 11.15 Trent. 11.45 Reflections. 11.50 Living and Growing for Adults, 12.20 am Nows.

Channel As Thames except: 12.00-12.30 pm Close down. 1.20 News. 2.45 Electric Theatre Show. 3.15 Manuy-Go-Round. 6.00 News. 6.10 Link-np. 10.28 News. 11.15 George Hamilton IV. 11.40 Epi-

### Westward

As Thames except: Sigris 9.26 am Good Word followed by News, 1,20 pm Naws, 2.45 Let the Music Take Yoc. 3.15 Money-Ge-Ronnd. 6.00 News. 6.02 Crossroads. 6.25 Northern Life. 11.15 News. 11.17 Police Woman. 12.17 am Epilogue. Granada

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12 Many in sea-ship troubled by stress (8).
14 Casual talk traps oriental swindler (5).
15 This passage featured in odd bits of news (5-4).

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2 Victorian house carried outsize roof (7).
3 Whereby note of hand gives you a fortune (9).
4 Fashion in new gear (4).
5 Sad upset for famous steeplechaser causes wild outcry (4, 6).
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28 Instrument shows pole still standing (7).
29 Weights of containers for weeds (5).
29 Put up a thousand dollars?
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29 Destination of Benedictine taken in by A. Jonson (7).

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